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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL



WASHINGTON, DC 20201

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The Honorable Wayne Stenehjem North Dakota Attorney General State Capitol 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 125 Bismarck, ND 58505-0040

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Thank you for submitting the August 23, 2019, application for Federal certification of a Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (Unit) for the State of North Dakota. I am pleased to approve the application, as authorized under section 1903(q) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396b(q), and regulations found at 42 C.F.R. § 1007.15.

As detailed in 42 C.F.R. § 1007.15, this certification is for a 1-year period commencing October 1, 2019, and ending September 30, 2020. The North Dakota Unit is required to submit to the Office of Inspector General (OIG), at least 60 days prior to the end of each 12-month certification period, a reapplication for certification.

We look forward to working with your staff. Please let us know if we can provide any additional assistance. If you have any questions, please contact Richard Stern, Director, OIG Medicaid Fraud and Policy Oversight Division, at (202) 619-0480.

Sincerely,

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Acting Inspector General

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cc: Lonnie K. Grabowska, Director North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation

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