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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors, DSN Boards of Case Management

CEOs, Contracted Service Providers of Case Management

Case Management Supervisors

Lori Manos, Associate State Director-Policy & **FROM:** 

**DATE:** February 21, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Appendix K - Service Requests

In late January, the Biden administration announced that the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), which has been in place since January 2020, is set to end on May 11, 2023. As a result, the approval the SC Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) received from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to extend flexibilities granted under the Appendix K are set to expire no more than six months after the end of the PHE. Pursuant to this expiration, SCDHHS has given DDSN authority to approve Waiver services under the Appendix K authority through May 11, 2023.

During this time, all Appendix K actions and interim procedures will continue to be implemented for DDSN Waivers as outlined in the implementation plan Click Here.

All Case Managers who have services approved through March 31, 2023, that continue to meet the requirements for service extension under Appendix K, will need to submit plan change requests through the normal process. We are requesting that this is done as soon as possible in order to avoid delays in approval. The paper authorization for In Home Support Services approved under Appendix K has been updated on Business Tools.

If you have any questions please contact Jennifer Jaques by email at jjaques@ddsn.sc.gov or Melissa Ritter at mritter@ddsn.sc.gov. Thank you.