

Attachment 3.d. MCO and Behavioral Health Provider Interview Email Invitation

To: MCO or behavioral health provider leader

CC: CMCS Project Officer, RTI SUD Team Lead

Subject: RTI International Evaluation of Section 1115 Substance Use Disorder Demonstrations

Dear [MCO/BH provider leader],

I am writing from RTI International regarding the meta-evaluation of the Medicaid section 1115 substance use disorder (SUD) demonstrations that we are undertaking on behalf of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). As part of the evaluation, we are conducting telephone interviews with [MCO/behavioral health provider leadership] in states implementing SUD demonstrations.

Interviews are intended to improve our understanding of the demonstration implementation on key stakeholders in the SUD system. Interviews will cover implementation of patient placement criteria, Medicaid billing and reimbursement, care coordination, transitions in care, care integration, recovery support services, and residential MAT.

Information from these conversations will help CMS understand the effectiveness of these demonstrations in expanding access to substance use treatment in Medicaid. Your participation is important to helping CMS support policy and programmatic development and will complement our interviews with state Medicaid directors as well as state-led monitoring and evaluation efforts.

The telephone interview will take no more than 60 minutes. Below we provide some potential dates and times for the call. If none of these options work for you, please provide some alternatives, and we will do our best to accommodate your schedule. If there is another person at your organization who would be more appropriate for this conversation, please provide us with their contact information.

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Sincerely,

[RTI STAFF NAME]