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Mark Geiger  
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Dear Mr. Geiger:

As provided under Federal regulations at 45 CFR § 1007.20(a), the Office of Inspector General (OIG) approves the May 5, 2014, application of the California Bureau of Medi-Cal Fraud and Elder Abuse (Bureau's) to conduct data mining. In considering the application, we have consulted with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

This approval is valid for 3 years from the date of this letter. Under the regulations, the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit may request renewal of this approval for additional 3-year periods by submitting a written request to OIG. Please ensure that you include the outcomes of your data mining activities as part of the Bureau's annual report that is due by May 28, 2015, as outlined in section 1007.17(i) of the regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Burbach or me at (202) 619-0480.

Sincerely,

Richard Stern  
Director, Medicaid Fraud Policy and  
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cc:  
Lyn Killman  
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