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**RE: ENFORCEMENT MATTER NUMBER: 22-469
DETERMINATION RE REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION PERIOD EXTENSION**

Dear Ms. Espinal :

The Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC or Department) received, on April 16, 2025, notice from Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. (Kaiser or Plan) of its intent to extend the consultation period contained in the October 11, 2023, Behavioral Health Settlement Agreement (BHSA).

The Plan noted that pursuant to paragraph 107 of the BHSA, the Consultation Period is set forth as follows:

107. Consultation Period. Except as modified pursuant to Paragraph 108 below, the Consultation Period shall be two years from the date this Settlement Agreement is finalized (the "Consultation Period.")

The Plan requested an extension of the Consultation Period for one year, proposing to end the Consulting Period on October 10, 2026.

108. Extension of the Consultation Period. The Consultation Period may be extended at the Plan's discretion; however, the Department shall make the final determination as to whether the Plan's decision complies with the terms of the Corrective Action Plan.

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The Department determines that the proposed extension of the Consultation Period is compliant with the terms of the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) and consistent with the goals of the BHSA and Corrective Action Plan contained therein. The Department anticipates continued Plan compliance throughout the extension of the Consultation Period with all terms and conditions of the BHSA and CAP, including but not limited to Paragraphs 109 and 110, the Consultation Period's requirements for Quarterly Meetings and the Plan's provision of Quarterly Reports.

Sincerely,

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