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Administrator Chiquita Brooks-LaSure Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services 314G Hubert H. Humphrey Building 200 Independence Ave., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Administrator Brooks-LaSure,

I hereby notify you that the State of Delaware requests exemption from physician supervision of CRNAs under 42 CFR 482.52 (hospitals), 42 CFR 485.639 (critical access hospitals), 42 CFR 485.524 (rural emergency hospitals) and 42 CFR 416.42 (ambulatory surgical centers). I attest that I have consulted with the Delaware Board of Nursing and Board of Medicine about issues related to access to and the quality of anesthesia services in Delaware. I have concluded that it is in the best interests of Delaware citizens to opt-out of the current physician supervision requirement, as provided in the federal regulations, and that the opt-out is consistent with Delaware law.

This letter constitutes my formal notification of the State of Delaware opt-out.

Sincerely,

John C. Carney

Governor, State of Delaware