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RE: Cataldo Ambulance Service, Special Project Waiver Request Application,  
SmartCare Community Paramedic Program  
**ADDENDUM to Special Project Approval letter dated September 17, 2014**

Dear Mr. Quaranto:

The Department of Public Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services ("Department"), has reviewed and approved the protocols submitted by Cataldo Ambulance Service ("Cataldo") governing the conditions and functions authorized in paragraph 14 of the above-referenced Special Project Approval. In addition, the Department is in receipt of Cataldo's notification, by email from Karen Host on September 26, 2014, confirming that Cataldo has notified all relevant primary ambulance services of the special project. In accordance with paragraph 2 of the Special Project Approval, the **Department's approval is effective as of the date of this letter and shall remain in effect for one (1) year.**

Additionally, the Department has reviewed the protocols governing the proposed clinical interventions and functions identified in paragraph 16 of the Special Project Approval and the recommendations made by the Medical Services Committee at its October 10, 2014 meeting. After further consideration, the Department amends paragraph 15 of the attached Special Project Approval to add the following authorized clinical interventions and functions:

a) Gait Monitoring, b) Loading Medication Administration Device, d) Temperature Monitoring, e) ISTAT Device Use

Very truly yours,

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Encl: Special Project Approval dated September 17, 2014

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