

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

House of Representatives

Representative Patricia A. Serpa, District 27
Chairwoman, Committee on Oversight
Committee on Rules

August 7, 2017

Eric Beane, Secretary RI Executive Office of Health and Human Services Hazard Building 74 West Road Cranston, RI 02920

Dear Mr. Beane:

For the past ten months the House Committee on Oversight has been reviewing the implementation of the Unified Health Infrastructure Project and its effect on the over 300,000 Rhode Islanders that rely on the benefits that system administers. I thank you for your cooperation. To futher our review, please provide the following information and documents, at the request of committee member Representative Jason Knight:

- Provide the director of the Department of Human Services, Courtney E. Hawkins's curriculum vitae (CV).
- Provide details of any plans the department has for reconciling long-term care payments
 against actual eligibility, including determining which party will be responsible for any
 uncollected patient shares due to delayed eligibility determination. From testimony in
 committee hearings, it is understood the department has up to two years to complete the
 reconciliation, so please produce a timeline for developing a plan, including the parties
 involved in the decision making process.
- Provide background information on the requirements for reconciliation including a list of all state and federal regulations on this matter and copies and/or electronic access to the regulations.
- Please provide the number and total amount of payments made on Medicaid long term care applications without an eligibility determination by month starting January 1, 2017.
- Provide a detailed organizational chart, with all DHS employees working on full time on fixing the UHIP computer issues highlighted.
- Please provide a list of all new hires since January 1, 2017 at EOHHS and DHS including
 job descriptions. Please list all new hires, including executive and administrative
 positions.
- Provide copies of any correspondence between HHS and EOHHS and the federal government regarding the UHIP issue since January 1, 2017.
- Please describe your efforts to reduce or mitigate the fine imposed by FNS.

• If your plans for reduction or mitigation include the hiring of any contractor, please specify which contractor you are considering and provide a complete roster of that contractor's executive staff, owners and/or principles, and/or corporate officers.

Please provide these documents by August 18, 2017. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Beth Cotter, Director of Oversight, at 222-2613.

Sincerely,

Representative Patricia A. Serpa

Chairwoman, House Committee on Oversight

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