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Representative Henry A. Waxman, Chairman
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
2157 Rayburn House Building
Washington, DC 20515-6143

RE: Request for Information on the Investigation of the Administration's Regulatory
Actions on Medicaid

Dear Representative Waxman:

Please accept the following information in response to the request from the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform regarding the Administration's regulatory actions on Medicaid.

1. Cost limits for public providers (CMS 2258-FC)
 - a. North Dakota does not expect a fiscal impact from this regulation.
2. Payments for graduate medical education (CMS 2279-P)
 - a. North Dakota does not expect a fiscal impact from this regulation.
3. Payments for hospital outpatient services (CMS 2213-P)
 - a. In order to determine the full impact of this proposed regulation, North Dakota will need to calculate the Upper Payment Limit for clinics and outpatient hospital services, based on the provisions of the proposed rules. North Dakota has not completed this calculation.
4. Provider taxes (CMS 2275-P)
 - a. North Dakota does not expect a fiscal impact from this regulation.

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5. Coverage of rehabilitation services (CMS 2261-P)
 - a. North Dakota cannot estimate an impact; however, we remain in negotiations with CMS regarding an active state plan amendment for rehabilitation services. It is unclear at this time as to whether coverage or reimbursement changes will be required.
6. Payments for costs of school administrative and transportation services (CMS 2287-P)
 - a. North Dakota does not expect a fiscal impact from this regulation.
7. Targeted case management (CMS 2237-IFC)
 - a. Elimination of case management for children in foster care or who are receiving protective services will result in an estimated fiscal impact to North Dakota, for the period March 3, 2008 – September 30, 2012, of \$13,355,132.
 - b. Other provisions of the interim final rule (such as single case manager, and prohibition of using case management as a gate keeper service) will result in the loss of federal reimbursement and/or the addition of staff; however, until the rule is fully implemented, we are unable to calculate an impact to the services provided to the Developmentally Disabled and Long-Term Care populations.

Thank you for your interest in reviewing the impact of these rules. If you should have additional questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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