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The Honorable Marilyn Avila, Co-Chair
Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services
North Carolina General Assembly
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North Carolina General Assembly
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The Honorable Louis Pate
Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services
North Carolina General Assembly
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Dear Chairmen:

Section 12F.2.(c) of North Carolina Session Law 2015-241, enacted on September 18, 2015, requires the Department of Health and Human Services (“Department”) to modify the monthly reporting package submitted by the LME/MCOs to the Department to include revenues and expenditures for the State funding sources for single stream, intellectual and developmental disability, and substance abuse services on Schedule D2. Additionally, the Department is required to modify appropriate schedules in the LME/MCO monthly reporting package to include unduplicated recipients and encounters in the same level of detail included in each D schedule for each source of funding for the reporting for the current and previous year's month and year to date periods. Further, the Department is also to submit these reports to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by the third Monday of each month beginning in October 2015.

The Department appreciates and shares the desire for more detailed, consolidated monthly expenditure reports on the part of LME/MCOs for single stream state funds. As such, the Department’s Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services (DMHDDSAS), in coordination with the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA), has revised the state funded portion of Schedule D2, and included the addition of schedules that show unduplicated recipients of mental health disorders, intellectual and developmental disability, and substance use disorder services. The final Financial Reporting workbook for both DMHDDSAS
and DMA was distributed to the LME-MCO Finance Officers for use during the 2016-17 state fiscal year. Due to the process for certifying the state budget and distributing allocations to the LME-MCOs, the first submission of the revised Financial Reporting workbook will be October, 2016.

The December of 2016 report will include a graph of the Single Stream Fund expenditures by LME-MCO with a state average and benchmark for spending expectations for the first quarter of the 2017 state fiscal year. DMHDDSAS will continue to monitor all of the legislative requirements from Section 12F and provide updates to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee monthly.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (919) 733-7011.

Sincerely,

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