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December 22, 2017

#### SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

The Honorable Nelson Dollar, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Medicaid and NC Health Choice North Carolina General Assembly Room 307B, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Donny Lambeth, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Medicaid and NC Health Choice North Carolina General Assembly Room 303, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Ralph Hise, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Medicaid and NC Health Choice North Carolina General Assembly Room 312, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

#### Dear Chairmen:

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On behalf of Secretary Cohen, the Department of Health and Human Services is notifying you that this report will be delayed as the Department continues to finalize the development of a cohesive and comprehensive plan. We will submit the plan on or before January 31, 2018.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Walker Wilson, Assistant Secretary for Policy, at Walker. Wilson@dhhs.nc.gov or 919-855-4800.

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