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Lanier M. Cansler, Secretary

The Honorable Stan Bingham, Co-Chair
Appropriations on Health and
Human Services
North Carolina Senate
Room 2117, Legislative Building
Raleigh, NC 27601

The Honorable Harris Blake, Co-Chair
Appropriations on Health and
Human Services
North Carolina Senate
Room 408, Legislative Office Building
Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Louis Pate, Co-Chair
Appropriations on Health and
Human Services
North Carolina Senate
Room 406, Legislative Office Building
Raleigh, NC 27603

Dear Senators Bingham, Blake and Pate:

Section 10.42 of Session Law 2011-145, requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a two-year medication therapy management pilot program administered through Community Care of North Carolina (CCNC) to determine the best method of adapting the CheckMedsNC program to Medicaid and CCNC's medical home, and the most effective and efficient role for community-based pharmacists in CCNC care management teams. A report on these efforts is due January 1, 2012.

To allow for the compilation of a more robust data set to evaluate the progress of this initiative, the Department anticipates submitting the report no later than February 1, 2012.

Please direct all questions concerning this report to Lisa Weeks, Chief of Pharmacy at the Division of Medical Assistance, at 919-855-4305.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lanier M. Cansler".

Lanier M. Cansler

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