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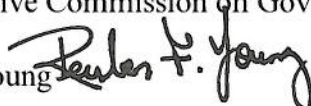
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Beverly Eaves Perdue, Governor

Reuben F. Young, Secretary

August 4, 2012

TO: Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

FROM: Reuben F. Young 

RE: Inmate Medical Cost Containment Report

Section 18.10 of Session Law 2011-145 requires the Department of Public Safety to report on:

- (1) The volume of services provided by community medical providers that can be scheduled in advance and, of that volume, the percentage of those services that are provided by contracted providers; and
- (2) The volume of services provided by community medical providers that cannot be scheduled in advance and, of that volume, the percentage of those services that are provided by contracted providers.

This report is for hospitalizations of inmates which occurred from April 1, 2012 - June 30, 2012.

During this time period, there were 384 hospital admissions. Of these 384 admissions, 85% (327) were emergent and 15% (57) were scheduled. Further analysis of the 327 emergent admissions, reveals that 65% (211) occurred at contracted hospitals, while 35% (116) were to non-contracted hospitals. With regards to the 57 scheduled admissions, 77% (44) were to contracted hospitals while 23% (13) were to non-contracted facilities. Overall, during this quarter, 66% (255) of admissions went to contracted facilities while the remaining 34% (129) went to non-contracted facilities.

Figure 1 below shows the distribution of scheduled and emergent hospital admissions in contracted and non-contracted facilities from April 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012. (These figures are based on data currently available which may be updated after submission of this report.)

If you have any questions about this report, please contact me (825-2791) or my Legislative Affairs team, Douglas Holbrook, Director (825-2749), and Mary Jennings, Liaison (825-2792). They will assist you on these or any other matters related to our Department.

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Figure 1: Distribution of Scheduled and Emergent Hospital Admissions April 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012

Admissions				
Relationship	EMERGENT	SCHEDULED	Grand Total	
CONTRACT	211	44	255	66%
NON-CONTRACT	116	13	129	34%
Grand Total	327	57	384	