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Mr. Stan Whittaker, MSN, ARNP-C
Florida Council of Advance Practice Nurses
6294 NW Torreya Park Road
Bristol, Fl 32321

Dear Mr. Whittaker:

It is my pleasure to appoint you to the Medical Care Advisory Committee representing the Florida Council of Advance Practice Nurses. I appreciate your willingness to serve your fellow Floridians in this important role.

Federal regulations require each state to establish a committee to serve in an advisory capacity on health and medical care issues. According to 42CFR431.12, this committee must include the following:

- board-certified physicians and other representatives of the health professions who are familiar with the medical needs of low-income people and with the resources available for their care;
- members of consumer groups, including Medicaid recipients;
- Agency heads from the Department of Children and Family Services and the Department of Health.

The Medical Care Advisory Committee has been asked to provide the Agency with advice on improving Medicaid beneficiaries' access to specialists, and enhancing our communication with Medicaid beneficiaries. Committee members may also be asked to review and provide input on a variety of Medicaid materials, and to make recommendations to the Agency about Medicaid policies, rules and procedures.

The committee meets quarterly, with the next meeting scheduled on January 29, 2013, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at AHCA headquarters located at 2727 Mahan Drive, Building 3, in Tallahassee.

Thank you again for agreeing to serve on this committee. We look forward to working with you on these important issues. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Carla Sims in the Medicaid Director's Office by email at Carla.sims@ahca.myflorida.com or by phone at 850-412-4013.

Sincerely,

Justin M. Senior
Deputy Secretary for Medicaid

cc: Carla Sims