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Robin Rudowitz Associate Director and Jennifer Tolbert Associate Director Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation 2400 Sand Hill Road Menlo Park, CA 94025

Dear Ms. Rudowitz and Ms. Tolbert:

On November 26, 2012, you released an analysis of the state-by-state Affordable Care Act (ACA) impact on Medicaid. Your Florida estimate for the total additional spending, as a result of ACA expansion, for fiscal years 2013-2022 is approximately \$8 billion higher than our most recent projections, yet your state cost estimate is lower than our estimates.

We are interested in how you developed your calculations and would like the following information regarding your assumptions to which you based your projections:

- Growth factors to determine the eligible population increase for each year
- Growth factors and assumptions for the cost in per member per month (PMPM)
- Assumptions related to eligible but not enrolled, crowd out and newly eligible populations
- Assumptions related to FMAP
- Assumptions and state costs relating to the Physician Fee Increase.

We based our most recent calculations on Federal guidance, current fiscal climate, and comprehensive historical data, which more accurately reflect the costs of the ACA than our previous estimates. They can be found on our website at: http://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/pdffiles/SSEC ACA 12-17-12 Medicaid Estimates.pdf.

By providing the analysis and data behind your calculations it will allow us to better compare your estimated costs with our own projections.

We look forward to hearing from you. If you have further questions regarding our request, please contact Florida's Medicaid Director, Justin Senior at (850) 412-4000.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Dudek Secretary

