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Statement from Secretary Dudek on Low Income Pool Negotiations

"We were informed late yesterday by CMS that their lead official discussing the continuation of the federal LIP program in Florida, Eliot Fishman, will not be available for any further negotiations for at least two weeks. This was sudden and disappointing news. AHCA's conversations with CMS had been productive and positive until this point. For CMS to discontinue LIP negotiations now is troubling and could signal the abrupt end of this federal healthcare program in Florida." – SECRETARY DUDEK

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