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May 13, 2024

Jason Weida, Secretary  
Agency for Health Care Administration  
2727 Mahan Drive  
Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Dear Secretary Weida:

In accordance with Internal Auditing Standards, attached is a status update from the Medicaid Operations and Contracts in response to our audit report number *AHCA-2122-03-A Agency for Health Care Administration, Enterprise Audit for House Bill 1079* published on April 12, 2022.

Management indicated corrective action has been either initiated or completed for each of our report issues. However, this is the final status update and not all recommendations have been completed. The remaining finding and recommendation will be addressed in the legislatively mandated Enterprise Contract Audit during FY2024/2025.

A detailed description of all remaining issues, recommendations, and management's responses can be found in the attached table.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Brian P. Langston  
Inspector General

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Attachment

cc: Stefan Grow, Chief of Staff  
Kristin Sokoloski, Deputy Chief of Staff  
Alecia Collins, Communications Director  
Trey Collins, Chief of Contract Management



No.	Finding(s)	Recommendation(s)	Previous Management Response(s)	Status Update, Anticipated Completion Date and Contact
2	Agency procurement policies, procedures, and quality assurance processes need to be updated and revise.	1. Our office recommends the Agency revise and update relevant internal procurement policies and procedures.	<p><u>Status as of November 9, 2023</u></p> <p>Policy number 4006, Procurement of Goods and Services has been updated and is routing. The updated policy contains all HB 1079 requirements.</p> <p>A new quality assurance review tool was created, and quality assurance reviews of all contracts resumed as of 10/1/23.</p> <p><u>Anticipated Completion Date:</u></p> <p>Estimating two weeks for routing completion of Policy 4006.</p> <p><u>Contacts:</u></p> <p>Trey Collins  <a href="mailto:trey.collins@ahca.myflorida.com">trey.collins@ahca.myflorida.com</a></p> <p>Michelle Factor  <a href="mailto:michelle.factor@ahca.myflorida.com">michelle.factor@ahca.myflorida.com</a></p> <p><u>Status as of April 12, 2023</u></p> <p>We are in the process of updating Policy #4006. We hope to start routing the updated policy for review in the coming weeks. Policy #4006 will focus on Purchasing. We are drafting a new policy that will focus on Contract Administration and Management, and will incorporate Policy #4028, Agency Agreement. HB1079 requirements will be included in this new policy.</p> <p><u>Status as of October 12, 2022:</u></p> <p>The Bureau of Purchasing and Contract Administration</p>	<p><u>Status Update:</u></p> <p>Policy number 4006, Procurement of Goods and Services, is a lengthy, comprehensive document, which required additional updates since it previously began routing in November 2023. Due to BPCA staff obligations to the SMMC and Dental ITNs, and keeping up with all other Agency procurement needs, we have not been able to make the additional updates until now. The updated policy began routing for approval on May 3, 2024, and contains all HB 1079 requirements. We will confirm with the OIG once the policy has been fully approved.</p> <p><u>Anticipated Completion Date:</u></p> <p>June 2024</p> <p><u>Contacts:</u></p> <p>Trey Collins</p>

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Management Response Table

Report Title: Agency for Health Care Administration, Enterprise Audit for House Bill 1079

Report #: AHCA-2122-03-A., issued April 12, 2022

24-Month Follow-up Status as of May 15, 2024

			<p>(BPCA) is finalizing implementation of HB 1079 requirements and may draft a new policy for contract management requirements and continuing oversight teams. We are working to finalize our implementation strategy and compliance requirements within the coming weeks. BPCA is still in the process of reviewing Policy #4006 for necessary updates. We intend to fully update this policy by the end of the calendar year.</p> <p>In progress.</p> <p><u>Status as of April 12, 2022:</u> We concur and will update policy and procedures to reflect new statutory requirements that resulted from HB 1079 and other processes that have changed since the current policy was updated in 2015.</p> <p><i>Anticipated Completion Date: June 30, 2022</i> <i>Trey Collins, Bureau Chief Contracts and Procurement</i></p>	
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