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VIA HAND DELIVERY

December 31, 2016

Senator Bill Sample
Arkansas Legislative Council
Room 315, State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Sample:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General's December 2016 Quarterly Report. This report provides a statistical profile of the agency's activities for the current fiscal year.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elizabeth", written over a horizontal line.

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Office of Medicaid Inspector General

Quarterly Report January 2017

Elizabeth Smith, Medicaid Inspector General

Quarterly Report Statistics and Information

This quarterly report, submitted January 3, 2017, contains a statistical profile of the Medicaid fraud referrals, audits, investigations, recoveries, and initiatives from the Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG) for the Fiscal Year 2017 (July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016).

For the purposes of this report, the information is divided in the following manner: July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; and October 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

Recoveries/Recoupments/Initiatives

July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016 recoveries by OMIG and recoupments sent to DHS Accounts Receivable for collection.

\$856,871.96

October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 recoveries by OMIG, recoupments sent to DHS Accounts receivable for collection, and OMIG Initiatives where overpayments were identified and reported to the Division of Medical Services and Hewlett Packard Enterprises.

\$934,033.07

Total Fiscal Year 2016 recoupments sent to DHS Accounts receivable for collection and Initiatives where overpayments were identified and reported to the Division of Medical Services and Hewlett Packard Enterprises.

\$1,790,905.03

Audits and Investigations

July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016 Audits/Reviews

Onsite Audits/Reviews	27
Desk Audits	86
Provider Self Audit Requests	648
Crossover Recoupment Letters	<u>403</u>
	1164

October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 Audit/Reviews

Onsite Audit/Reviews	19
Desk Audits	60
Provider Self Audit Requests	<u>49</u>
	128

Referrals of Fraud and Prosecutions

A. Arkansas Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §20-77-2506, the Medicaid Inspector General shall work with the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU), of the Office of the Arkansas Attorney General, prosecuting attorneys and law enforcement agencies. The Medicaid Inspector General refers audit investigations to MFCU when there is a credible allegation of fraud. *See 42 CFR §455.23.*

From July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016, **thirteen** Medicaid provider investigations have been referred to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Attorney General's Office. In addition, the Attorney General's Office referred one Medicaid provider for suspension to OMIG.

From October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, **six** Medicaid provider investigations have been referred to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Attorney General's Office.

B. Other Suspected Fraud Referrals

In addition to referrals of suspected fraud to the Arkansas Attorney General's Office, OMIG shall also make referrals and coordinate efforts with other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. *See Ark. Code Ann. §20-77-2506(2).*

From July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016, **one** Medicaid recipient investigation has been referred to local law enforcement.

From July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, **eight** Medicaid recipients were referred to the appropriate agency for further investigation.

From October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, **five** Medicaid recipients were referred to the appropriate agency for further investigation.