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Jeffrey D. Mills
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Dear Mr. Mills:

As you are aware, the Health Care Authority's foremost goal is to assure the delivery of consistent quality health care services through the Public Employees Benefits Board program (PEBB). In light of the administrative law judge's summary judgment related to the Request for Proposal No. 1020-002220, and in keeping with our commitment to act in the best interest of the members of the Uniform Medical Plan (UMP), we have made the decision to serve the UMP members through an interim one-year contract for operational administration of the UMP for benefit year 2010 while a longer term arrangement is developed.

Recognizing United Medical Resources' (UMR) good standing as the UMP current administrative services contractor and your willingness to continue to perform the contracted services, I am pleased to inform you that the Health Care Authority intends to continue its current vendor relationship for the UMP Administrative Services contract with UMR for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. The contract will include the services currently performed by UMR for UMP and any additional services essential to continuing the quality and effectiveness of UMP during this period.

The process of developing the interim 2010 UMP Administrative Services Contract document is underway and will be forwarded to you for signature in a timely manner. Recognizing the need for UMR to prepare for the upcoming PEBB Open Enrollment functions while the contract process is completed, we will immediately issue a work order in accordance with Section 9, Work Orders, of the current UMP Administrative Services Agreement, authorizing UMR to complete necessary activities during the remainder of 2009 to achieve a successful transition to the 2010 contract period.

Sincerely,

Steve Hill
Administrator