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Richard Armstrong, Director
Department of Health and Welfare
450 W. State St.
Boise, ID 83720

Dear Director Armstrong,

Please accept my sincere thanks for your work last year in leading the Medicaid Redesign Workgroup. The report the workgroup submitted to me provided a good base of information for further discussion.

Idaho is at a policy crossroads in considering how to address our indigent care system, while struggling with the lack of healthcare options for low-income individuals or families.

At this point, I request that you once again gather the members of the workgroup to review current state data and Medicaid redesign options being implemented or considered by other states.

I have asked the Pro Tem and Speaker to provide two legislators from each body to participate in your discussions. Please contact the Pro Tem and Speaker so you can include their designees in your next meeting.

Please provide me with an updated report no later than September 1, 2014. Thank you for supporting my efforts to find reasonable solutions to these complex policy issues.

As Always – Idaho, "Esto Perpetua"

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C.L. Butch Otter".

C.L. "Butch" Otter
Governor of Idaho

cc:

The Honorable Brent Hill
The Honorable Scott Bedke