



IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH & WELFARE

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER - GOVERNOR
RICHARD M. ARMSTRONG - DIRECTOR

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
450 W. State Street, 10th Floor
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0036
PHONE 208-334-5500
FAX 208-334-6558

January 9, 2017

Rakesh Mohan, Director
Office of Performance Evaluation
954 W. Jefferson St.
Boise, ID 83720

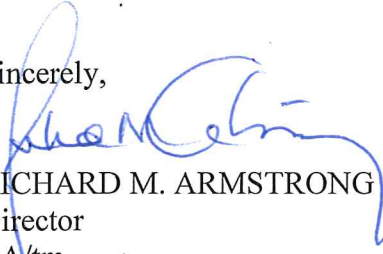
Dear Director Mohan:

Based on the recommendations from the study conducted on the Idaho Behavioral Health Plan (IBHP) by the Office of Performance Evaluations (OPE) the Division of Medicaid entered into a contract with Oregon Health Science University's (OHSU) Center for Health System Effectiveness. The scope of this contract was to formally evaluate whether including inpatient services in the IBHP has merit.

Over the past several months my staff have worked closely with OHSU to ensure they have the information needed to complete their analysis. The final report is attached. It provides useful guidance to our Medicaid program as we consider ways to provide the best services possible for participants' behavioral health needs.

If you have any questions about the report or the IBHP, please feel free to contact Medicaid Administrator, Matt Wimmer at (208) 364-1804.

Sincerely,


RICHARD M. ARMSTRONG
Director
RA/tm

Enc.