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Chairman Crum,

As the State advances this new and innovative model to better coordinate care and services for Medicaid program beneficiaries, close partnership with Medicaid health plans, like Amerigroup, is key to making sure, together, we improve quality and access, achieve cost savings and deliver on the KanCare program's worthwhile goals.

Amerigroup operates in a transparent manner and welcomes appropriate oversight by the State. We caution, however, against oversight that ultimately creates unnecessary burdens for the State – increasing costs without delivering additional value for beneficiaries and taxpayers alike. Oversight done well and that works to align expectations, set clear standards and advance transparency and accountability within contracts and the underlying program infrastructure in collaboration with experienced Medicaid health plans can be very meaningful.

We support the initiative envisioned by H.B. 2025. We believe it can help the State – through an appropriate level of program oversight and collaboration with health plans – secure a successful Medicaid managed care program for the long run.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at (913) 563-1611 or Gary.Haulmark@amerigroup.com.

Warm regards,

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