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RE: Acceptance of the Network Adequacy Advisory Council's Report for Plan Year 2019

Dear Nevadans,

The Network Adequacy Advisory Council ("Council") was established by the Commissioner of Insurance under regulation R049-14 for the purpose of recommending additional or alternative standards for determining whether a health insurance carrier's provider network plan is adequate. The Council's recommendations are provided to the Commissioner on or before September 15th, annually beginning in 2016.

The nine member Council conducted its first meeting to develop recommendations for plan year 2019 on February 13, 2017. This was followed by four more public meetings; and, on September 13, 2017, a Report on the Plan Year 2019 Recommendations for Network Adequacy Standards ("Report") containing the Council's network adequacy recommendations was submitted to the Commissioner for consideration.

The Commissioner has reviewed the Report and accepts its recommendations. A rule-making workshop and hearing will be scheduled to now adopt the Council's recommendations for Plan Year 2019 by regulation.

The Commissioner recognizes the dedication and commitment of the Council working together to formulate the recommendations and the Report. This was a time intensive process. The efforts and contributions of the public and each Council member are appreciated.

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BARBARA D. RICHARDSON
Commissioner of Insurance