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Dear Open Records Officer:

James Eiseman, Jr.

Senior Attorney

Pursuant to Pennsylvania's Right-to-Know Law, I write to request certain documents and records from the Department of Public Welfare. The enclosed form details my request. If the responsive documents and records are already in digital format, or if conversion to digital format is not cost-prohibitive, then I would prefer to receive them in digital format.

Benjamin D. Geffen
Staff Attorney

I am a legal resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Sonja D. Kerr Director, Disabilities Rights Project

If you would like to contact me in writing, I would prefer that you contact me via email at jeiseman@pilcop.org.

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Executive Director
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Thank you for your attention and assistance.

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Sincerely,

James Eiseman, Jr.



REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS UNDER THE PENNSYLVANIA RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW

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TO:	Andrea Bankes	RTKL Request:
	Agency Open Records Officer	
	Department of Public Welfare	Date Request Received:
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	Harrisburg, PA 17105-2675	Date Response Sent:
REQUESTOR:		SEND RESPONSE TO:
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Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law, 65 P.S. § 67.101, et seq., I hereby request that the Department of Public Welfare provide me access to the records identified or described below.			
Plea	se see the attached request.		
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Please Note: The Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law allows the Department of Public Welfare to charge for the			

cost of postage, duplication, certification and other costs necessarily incurred to respond to your request.

- 1) As used in this request, the following terms have the meanings assigned to them below.
 - (a) "Southeastern Pennsylvania" means Philadelphia, Montgomery, Bucks, Delaware, and Chester Counties.
 - (b) "Medicaid" means Pennsylvania's medical assistance program conducted pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1396 et seq.
 - (c) "DPW" means the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare.
 - (d) "Medicaid HMO" means those corporations and/or other organizations with which DPW contracts to provide coverage to Medicaid recipients.
 - (e) "Document" means any medium on which printed or electronic information is stored, including but not limited to paper and discs.
- 2) This request seeks all documents described below that contain information relating any period from January 1, 2008 until June 15, 2011.
- Each and every document, including correspondence and appendices, that sets forth any rate of payment, including but not limited to capitation rates, that DPW pays to any Medicaid HMO to provide Medicaid coverage to recipients in Southeastern Pennsylvania, including but not limited to any document that isolates the amount per member per month DPW calculates it pays to provide dental services to Medicaid recipients under 21 years of age.
- 4) Each and every document, including correspondence and appendices, in DPW's possession, custody, or control that sets forth the amount for any one or more individual dental procedure codes that any Medicaid HMO pays to provide dental services to Medicaid recipients in Southeastern Pennsylvania.

- 5) Each and every actuarial report DPW possesses that sets forth an overall capitation rate and/or determines the "actuarial soundness" of an overall capitation rate that DPW pays to any Medicaid HMO operating in Southeastern Pennsylvania, including but not limited to each report DPW makes to the federal government certifying the actuarial soundness of such capitation rates.
- Each and every actuarial report DPW possesses that sets forth a capitation rate for dental services to Medicaid recipients under 21 years of age and/or determines the actuarial soundness of such capitation rates for dental services to Medicaid recipients under 21 years of age, including but not limited to any such report DPW has made to the federal government to certify the actuarial soundness of such rates.
- 7) Any corrective-action plan or sanctions DPW has imposed on or contracted with any Medicaid HMO for in Southeastern Pennsylvania that involves wholly, or in part, the provision of dental care to Medicaid recipients under the age of 21.