January 25, 2018

Ohio House Speaker Cliff Rosenberger
Ohio Senate President Larry Obhof
Ohio House Minority Leader Fred Strahorn
Ohio Senate Minority Leader Kenny Yuko
Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee Executive Director Susan Ackerman
Legislative Service Commission Director Mark Flanders

Re: Cost Containment Report for State Fiscal Year 2018 (July 1 – December 31)

Dear Sirs and Madam:

The Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) is committed to efficient and careful management of the public resources entrusted to our agency. The attached report is in accordance with Section 5162.131 of the Revised Code, which requires ODM to report on the cost-containment initiatives related to the administration of Ohio's Medicaid program.

This latest edition of the Cost Containment Report commences reporting for state fiscal year 2018 and provides status updates regarding the various initiatives coordinated by our office.

The statuses of these projects will be regularly updated through subsequent Cost Containment Reports and testimony before the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee.

Sincerely,

Barbara R. Sears
Director

Cost Containment Initiative Status Report				
July 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017				
Policy	**Status**			**Go Live Date**
	Implemented	**In Progress**	**Planning Stage**	
Personal Responsibility/ Work Requirements			X	
MC Tax Change	X			7/1/2017
MCP Withhold		X		4/1/2018
ICD-10	X			7/6/2017
Recalibrate IP Weights		X		7/1/2018
Recalibrate OP Weights		X		7/1/2018
IP/OP - 5% Rate Cut			X*	
Rad / Path / Lab		X		1/1/2018
Rx Single PDL			X	
Program Integrity			X	
NF Level of Care Audit	X			10/1/2017
MDS Audits		X		1/1/2018
EVV to MC			X	

* Ohio Medicaid has delayed the implementation of the hospital rate reduction from January 1 to July 1, 2018. In May 2018, Ohio Medicaid will assess whether or not the July 1 rate reduction is necessary to eliminate any remaining shortfall and appropriate within the context of the overall state budget.

http://healthtransformation.ohio.gov/Portals/0/Ohio%20Medicaid%20Budget%20Update%2011-13-2017.pdf