December 22, 2017

The Honorable Representative Patricia A. Serpa  
State of Rhode Island General Assembly  
82 Smith Street, Providence, RI 02903

Dear Chairwoman Serpa:

Thank you for the ongoing opportunity to share information on the progress the State is making towards improving RI Bridges and the way in which we deliver health and human services to Rhode Islanders.

This submission shares data from December 4 – December 17, 2017.

Below, please find our bi-weekly updates and attachments in addition to our standing bi-weekly submission points. The standard FNS data reports are not attached because, with FNS’ permission, we have paused our submissions. When we resume submitting these reports, we will include them in our bi-weekly submission.

Standing Bi-Weekly Updates and Attachments:

1. Correspondences with federal partners

Please see the following attachments:

- DHS submitted a letter to FNS on December 5, 2017 to follow up on FNS' request that the State of Rhode Island attempt to quantify overpayments made to SNAP recipients.
- FNS submitted a letter to DHS on December 6, 2017 for SNAP Education Allocation for Fiscal Year 2017 for Obesity Prevention Grant Program.
- FNS submitted a letter to DHS on December 15, 2017 in which FNS is monitoring issues in SNAP to address concerns that have emerged at the Claims Collection and Recovery Unit (CCRU).

2. Number of off-cycle payments for the Child Care Assistance Program

182 off-cycle payments were made during this period.

3. Interim payments for Long Term Services and Supports

66 off-cycle payments were made during this period.
Attached Reports:
  • Daily Health Report

Thank you for allowing us to provide details related to the State’s RI Bridges improvement efforts. If you, or the Committee, have any further questions regarding the project, or any other matter, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Eric Beane
Secretary
Executive Office of Health and Human Services

CC: Honorable Members of House Committee on Oversight