

September 3, 2014

The Honorable Sylvia Mathews Burwell Secretary U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Secretary Burwell:

On behalf of the members of the Healthcare Leadership Council (HLC), I am writing in support of the proposal to expand the Healthy Indiana Plan as an alternative to Medicaid for uninsured residents in Indiana.

HLC is a not-for-profit membership organization comprised of chief executives of the nation's leading healthcare companies and organizations. HLC is committed to advancing a consumer-centered healthcare system that values innovation and provides affordable, accessible, high-quality healthcare to all Americans.

HLC has long supported innovative coverage approaches which leverage available healthcare dollars to best serve uninsured individuals. We applaud Governor Pence's proposal to refine and utilize the Healthy Indiana Plan to make the best use of all available funding sources in meeting the needs of Indiana's most vulnerable citizens. This innovative program has already generated positive results in improving population health. By employing market-based reforms and private health plans, investing individuals with greater control and responsibility over their own healthcare decisionmaking, and incentivizing healthy choices, Indiana has offered an approach that lowers costs, improves health outcomes, and achieves greater long-term sustainability.

We commend their proposal to expand the Healthy Indiana Plan as a way to provide health insurance coverage to Medicaid-eligible individuals in Indiana.

Sincerely,

Mary R. Grealy

President

cc: The Honorable Mike Pence, Governor of Indiana

The Honorable Marilyn Tavenner, Director, CMS