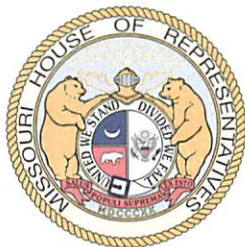


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March 5, 2020

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Dear Ms. Evans,

Thank you for your letter dated March 2, 2020. I have some follow-up questions based on your answers. Please provide answers to my questions as completely as possible.

The question numbers correlate with the answers you provided; as you will see, I did not ask questions about your responses 7-10.

1. You stated "FSD received 99,149 applications from the FFM during the time period of January 1, 2019 through February 1, 2020."
  - a. How many of these were approved for MO HealthNet?
    - i. Can you break this down by eligibility category?
  - b. Of those approved between January 1, 2019 and February 1, 2020 for MO HealthNet, how many have lost eligibility?
2. You state 6,463, or 38.8%, of individuals were dis-enrolled who did not access their Medicaid benefits.
  - a. Are you saying 16,657 individuals were approved for MO HealthNet when they applied through FFM?
  - b. Is this the time period referred to in question 1?
  - c. Can you break down the 6,463 individuals by eligibility category?
  - d. How many of these cases were voluntarily closed, either in writing or verbally?

3. Newborns:
  - a. Prior to February 2019, what information was provided to parents of newborns who did not have parents or siblings actively enrolled, to inform them that their child's coverage was ending and they needed to re-apply for benefits for that child?
  - b. How many children, between January 1, 2019 and February 1, 2020, lost their Medicaid benefits because they aged out of newborn coverage and their parents did not apply for MO HealthNet for Kids for those children?
  - c. Does FSD check Medicaid birth records to ensure the infant is automatically enrolled in Medicaid?
    - i. If so, how many newborns have been added to the Medicaid rolls through this process between January 1, 2019 and February 1, 2020?
4. Break-down of children:
  - a. How many of the 101,173 children had cases closed because their household income made them ineligible for coverage or they gained private insurance coverage?
  - b. How many children between December 31, 2017 and December 2019 moved to other eligibility categories and kept their Medicaid insurance?
    - i. Of these children, how many were required to have a family member or legal custodian return an IM1U form?
  - c. What are the "other" reasons 2,742 children had cases closed?
5. You state that, to increase the number of no touch annual renewals, the agency would need to purchase additional data sources from the Work Number database. Please send a list of all appropriations requests you have made since the FY 2015 budget year that were made with any intent to increase the data sources available to conduct no touch renewals.
6. You state that parents only have to re-apply for the child's benefits when they are closed for failure to return IM1U or failed to return requested information. What additional information does the Department send to advise parents that their children may still be eligible for coverage? What language does the Department use to tell parents they must re-apply?
11. You state that 291,300 children were referred for ex-parte review between January 1, 2018 and February 1, 2020. How many were referred for ex parte review during annual renewal and how many for change in circumstances?
12. You state that 30% of the children transitioned from MHF to MHK. How many children is this?
  - a. What percentage of children transitioned from MHF to a MHK or CHIP category?
  - b. How many children remained on MHF during this time? What percentage of children is this?
13. I also asked about disaggregated numbers, and that question was not addressed in your letter. To further explain that question:
  - a. How many total individuals (children and adults) lost Medicaid eligibility between January 1, 2018 and February 1, 2020?
  - b. Please provide the number of individuals who lost Medicaid eligibility by eligibility category.
  - c. Of the individuals listed in (a), how many regained their eligibility within 30 days? Did they lose coverage? Please break this number down by eligibility category.

- d. Of the individuals listed in (a), how many regained their eligibility within 90 days? How many of these received retroactive coverage? Again, please break this number down by eligibility category.
- e. Of the individuals listed in (a), how many re-applied for Medicaid more than 90 days after they lost eligibility? How many were then approved for Medicaid? Again, please break this number down by eligibility category.
- f. Of the individuals listed in (a), how many have not re-applied for Medicaid coverage? Again, please break this number down by eligibility category.

Thank you for your attention to my questions and I look forward to your answers.

Sincerely,



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