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MEMORANDUM

To: Rep. Ann Pugh, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

From: Mark Larson, Commissioner of the Department of Vermont Health Access

Cc: Doug Racine, Secretary, Agency of Human Services

Date: February 14, 2014

Re: Effective Date for Enrollment of LADCs

During testimony the morning of February 12, 2014, the committee requested information regarding DVHA's position on the effective date for H.69, an act relating to licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors as participating providers in Medicaid. It is DVHA's position that the most appropriate effective date for enrolling licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors in Medicaid is September 1, 2014. This date would allow the Department time work with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on an amendment to Vermont's Medicaid State Plan. Such an amendment would be required in order to receive federal match dollars on Medicaid services provided by licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors.
