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Agency of Human Services

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Dear Hospitals and Health service providers,

I believe there has been positive collaboration to date and we have made strides to reach our goal of eliminating clinic provider-based billing (PBB). As a follow up to my letter dated March 31, 2016, this letter serves to memorialize our agreement to eliminate PBB effective July 1, 2016. We acknowledge that this change will require system and process changes for the hospitals and DVHA and agree these changes will be made by July 1. The next step in the process is for DVHA to develop new OPPS rates that reflect the change and are consistent with the SFY17' budget and any adjustments to the budget that are directed by the legislature during this session. I understand that the DVHA staff will be completing their financial modelling next week and a joint meeting is currently being set up for the week of April 25 to review the modelling and resulting OPPS rates.

I appreciate the collaborative approach to date and look forward to continuing that collaboration as we work together to make this change effective July 1, 2016.

Sincerely,



Steven Costantino, Commissioner Department of Vermont Health Access

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