## STATE OF MARYLAND



Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Larry Hogan, Governor - Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor - Van Mitchell, Secretary

September 14, 2015

The Honorable Larry Hogan Governor State of Maryland Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate H-107 State House Annapolis, MD 21401 The Honorable Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House H-101 State House Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission Report - HG § 13-809

Dear Governor Hogan, President Miller, and Speaker Busch:

Section 13-809 of the Health – General Article requires the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission to submit an annual report that 1) describes its findings regarding various issues related to payment of health care providers; 2) recommends the need for any formal executive, judicial, or legislative action; 3) describes issues in need of future study by the Commission; and 4) discusses any other matter that relates to the purposes of the Commission under Title 13, Subtitle 8 of the Health – General Article.

The Commission's last meeting was held on January 14, 2014, and shortly thereafter, all of the Commissioners resigned. In a letter dated May 14, 2014, Chairman Middleton and Chairman Hammen requested that the Governor not move forward with appointing new members to the Commission until the legislature had an opportunity to deliberate on the future utility of the Commission and recommend possible legislation in 2015. Since then, no new Commission members have been appointed and no new legislation was passed during the 2015 legislative session. Therefore, the Commission has nothing new to report.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Allison Taylor, Director of Governmental Affairs at 410-767-6481 or Allison.Taylor@Maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

Van T. Mitchell Secretary

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