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**AHCA Announces Release Date of the Invitation to Negotiate for SMMC Re-Procurement**

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** – Today, the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) announced the upcoming date that the Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) for the re-procurement of the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) program will be posted, on or around July 14, 2017. The ITN will be posted to the Florida Department of Management Services' Vendor Bid System website.

*As stated in s.287.057(23), F.S., "Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response."*

While we have not yet entered the statutory blackout period as described in s. 287.057(23), F.S., due to the upcoming re-procurement, we will not have any discussions relating to the scope, evaluation or negotiation of those procurements.

All health plans and potential bidders must direct their questions related to the SMMC procurement to the Agency's Procurement Officer:

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For more information about the SMMC program, or to sign up to receive SMMC related alerts, visit [http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/statewide\\_mc/index.shtml](http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/statewide_mc/index.shtml).

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