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**Annual Report Highlights Successes of Medicaid Reform Pilot**

*~AHCA effective in improving the Medicaid delivery system~*

**TALLAHASSEE**—The Agency for Health Care Administration announces the release of the Year 5 Annual Report for the 1115 Research and Demonstration Waiver, which demonstrates the state has been able to improve the Medicaid delivery system by integrating managed care principles with innovative approaches.

“The demonstration created an environment that encouraged recipients to more actively participate in the management of their health care and incentivized health plans to provide care centered on the person’s individual needs,” said Medicaid Director Justin Senior. “This effort to improve the Medicaid delivery system will ultimately lead to a better system for Florida’s 3.1 million Medicaid recipients.”

Among the highlights noted in the Year 5 Annual Report include:

- The proportion of Reform beneficiaries survey respondents reporting that they “always” got care as soon as they thought they needed it was higher during the demonstration years compared to the year prior to implementation.
- Among Reform beneficiary survey respondents, the percentage reporting that they had an identified personal provider increased following implementation and has remained at higher levels in the post-implementation years.
- The proportion of survey respondents stating that it was “not a problem” getting a personal doctor or health care provider with whom they were happy increased from 75% prior to the demonstration to 86% in the years following implementation.

A complete copy of the Year 5 Annual Report can be found on the Agency’s website at [http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/medicaid\\_reform/index.shtml](http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/medicaid_reform/index.shtml), along with reports from previous years.

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