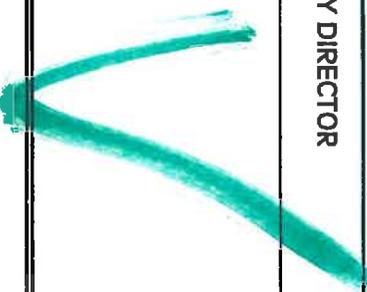


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Department of Health & Human Services
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Emma Forkner, Director
State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services
1801 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29202

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Dear Ms. Forkner:

Last week, staff of AMERIGROUP Community Care had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Pete Bailey and Mr. David Patterson at the Office of Research & Statistics. We were privileged to a demonstration of the "Cubes", the detailed history of the data collection methodology and the level of detail contained on the Medicaid population of the State of South Carolina.

The collection of information in this data base is impressive to say the least. With the level of detail it contains we believe strongly that it will be a significant benefit to our health plan in managing beneficiaries. In particular it will aid with disease prevalence identification and subsequent targeting of appropriate disease management programs as well as serve as a baseline for identification of clinical risk groups of the Medicaid population assigned to our plan.

Both Mr. Bailey and Mr. Peterson acknowledged that the information could be accessed through an electronic pass to the "Cube" if permission would be granted to the Managed Care Organizations.

We would like to formally request that AMERIGROUP Community Care be given access to this valuable database of information in our effort to better serve our members in South Carolina.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and I would be happy to discuss this matter with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Michael N. Musci, Jr. DO, MBA
CEO

AMERIGROUP Community Care, South Carolina