January 11, 2012

Potential Applicants and Interested Parties:

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) is releasing a request for applications (RFA) Number JFSR1213-07-8019 for the purpose of selecting a limited number of qualified managed care organizations (Applicants) to provide health care services to Ohioans enrolled in Medicaid. The ODJFS Office of Ohio Health Plans will select a limited number of Applicants to enter into Medicaid managed care provider agreements with the state of Ohio. Eligible RFA Applicants will be qualified managed care organizations that agree to meet Ohio’s program specifications and best demonstrate the ability to offer the required health care services and materially improve health outcomes for Ohio’s Medicaid population by delivering efficient and effective coordinated care.

The population to be served under this RFA includes approximately 1.5 million individuals enrolled in Ohio’s Covered Families and Children program; 125,000 enrolled in the state’s Aged, Blind and Disabled program; and 37,000 children with disabilities. The RFA will also allow ODJFS to include additional Medicaid populations to the program without issuing an additional RFA.

Applicants interested in this important project must obtain RFA # JFSR1213-07-8019 through the ODJFS web site at http://jfs.ohio.gov/rfp. If you experience problems opening the above-referenced ODJFS URL, please contact the Office of Contracts and Acquisitions at the following telephone number:

ODJFS, Office of Contracts and Acquisitions
30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414
Ph #: (614) 728-5693

Responses must be prepared and submitted in strict accordance with the requirements and time frames given in the RFA. All potential Applicants are reminded that the Ohio Medicaid Managed Care Program is subject to state and federal statutes and regulations, and while ODJFS has conducted multiple reviews of the RFA and its attachments to assure its accuracy, state and federal law shall take precedence. Should ODJFS become aware of a need for corrections or changes, revision(s) will be posted on the internet at the website listed above.

Further announcements and updates will be provided online at jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/bmhc/. Thank you for your interest in the Ohio Medicaid Program and your consideration of this RFA.

Sincerely,

John McCarthy
State Medicaid Director