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Health Insurance Advisory Council
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Dear Health Insurance Advisory Council members:

I am pleased to share with you the second annual health insurance Market Summary by the Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner (OHIC). The Market Summary is focused on the fully insured individual and group health insurance markets over which OHIC maintains oversight of premiums and product offerings.

In October 2021, OHIC published the first Market Summary. The Market Summary utilizes data from the annual rate filings and federal medical loss ratio reports to track trends in enrollment, premium, claims, and loss ratios. For the second edition of the Market Summary, we added data on the breakdown of the non-medical component of premiums for each market (administrative costs, broker commissions, taxes, and profit/contribution to reserve). Further, we added an overview of profitability among the Rhode Island domestic health insurers that participate in the fully insured market, a regional comparison of individual and small group premiums, and results from the federal risk adjustment program.

Our rationale for creating this report is simple. OHIC is in possession of much data that can be analyzed to produce many facts. As a state agency we owe it to you, and the public more broadly, to make this data accessible and transparent.

I plan to review this report with you in greater detail at our upcoming Health Insurance Advisory Council meetings. As you review the report, please come prepared to share your thoughts. Think about what we can improve and whether there are other questions that you would like to see addressed in future editions of this report. We are interested in your feedback as we look forward to our third annual Market Summary later this year.

I would like to conclude by plugging an upcoming report and public forum. As you all know, during the 2022 legislative session the General Assembly provided funding for the creation of the [Health Spending Accountability and Transparency Program](#) at OHIC. As part of this Program OHIC measures health care expenditures for the state as a whole and for the separate markets (commercial, Medicaid, Medicare), health insurers, and large providers. On May 8th from 9 AM to 12 PM OHIC will convene a public forum and publish a comprehensive report on health care costs and quality performance. The public forum will be held at the Crowne Plaza in Warwick, and I will send you all a formal invitation and agenda soon.

Sincerely,

Cory B. King
Acting Health Insurance Commissioner

Links to the Market Summary:

[Part 1: Enrollment, Premium, & Claims](#)

[Part 2: Loss Ratios, Profitability, & Risk Adjustment](#)

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