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## Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Ohio Department of Medicaid  
50 West Town Street, Suite 400  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Zachary E. Watson, C.N.P. NPI: 1275810608  
Program Year 1: Adopt, Implement or Upgrade

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM), on Zachary E. Watson's (hereafter referred to as the Provider) compliance with the requirements of the Medicaid Provider Incentive Program (MPIP) for the year ended December 31, 2015. The Provider is responsible for compliance with the MPIP requirements. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of ODM. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures enumerated below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

1. We compared the Provider's Ohio Medicaid Agreement dates from the Medicaid Information Technology System and compared the dates to the patient volume attestation period. We found the Provider had an active agreement in effect during the attestation period.
2. Using the Ohio e-license center, we compared the licensure type and effective dates to the patient volume attestation period. We found no exceptions.
3. Using the MPIP system, we confirmed the Provider underwent the ODM's payment approval process, was approved for an incentive payment and received an incentive payment.

We compared the date of the payment approval with the date of the incentive payment and confirmed the payment approval occurred prior to the payment. In addition, we compared the payment amount with the MPIP payment schedule and found no variance.

4. We obtained the Provider's encounters during an alternate patient volume attestation period (March 1, 2015 to May 31, 2015). We scanned the list and no found duplicate encounters. We also scanned the list and found that it included multiple payer sources.
5. We found the Provider did not meet the 30 percent patient volume requirement for the original patient volume attestation period from October 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. We calculated the encounters identified in procedure 4 for the alternative patient volume period and confirmed the Provider did not meet the 30 percent patient volume requirement.

Subsequent to issuing our May 19, 2019 report, we recalculated the encounters identified in procedure 4 of the alternative patient volume period and confirmed the Provider did meet the 30 percent patient volume requirement.

6. We found that the Provider's electronic health record (EHR) system was different than reported in the MPIP system. We obtained a software license agreement to determine the EHR system selected by the Provider. We verified that the new EHR system was approved by the Office of the National Coordinator of Health IT.

### **Responsible Party's Written Representation**

The Provider declined to submit a signed representation letter acknowledging responsibility for maintaining records and complying with applicable MPIP regulations; making available all documentation related to compliance; responding fully to our inquiries; reporting any non-compliance subsequent to the end of the engagement period; and disclosing all communications received from regulatory agencies alleging noncompliance with the Ohio MPIP rules.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Provider's compliance with the requirements of the Medicaid Provider Incentive Program. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Provider and the ODM, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

May 16, 2019, except for additional language in Procedure 5 which is as of June 27, 2019

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**ZACHARY WATSON**

**RICHLAND COUNTY**

## **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

**This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.**

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
JULY 16, 2019**