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Medicaid Reform & Expansion in Virginia

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To: Members of the MIRC Commission <vamirc@mirc.virginia.gov>

Dear Members of the MIRC Commission,

Culpeper Regional Hospital is experiencing and will continue to experience payment reductions for services provided to Medicare patients to pay for expansion of Medicaid regardless of whether Virginia decides to participate. These reductions are anticipated to exceed \$2.5 million. Ten percent of CRH's patients overall are self pay or charity - 25% of our emergency patients. Private business and individuals pay for care for these individuals in the most expensive settings - emergency departments and acute inpatient.

We anticipate approximately \$1.5 in additional Medicaid payments through expansion.

The economic case has been made from the perspective of the Commonwealth and at the local level in Culpeper. Without Medicaid expansion - jobs and payroll will be reduced in Culpeper and across Virginia. With expansion, jobs and payrolls will be retain and will likely grow.

This is a critical issue for healthcare in Virginia. Secretary Hazel is delivering Medicaid Reform - the MIRC needs to endorse Medicaid expansion - post haste. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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