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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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SECRETARY

December 22, 2017

**SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

The Honorable Nelson Dollar, Chair  
Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on  
Medicaid and NC Health Choice  
North Carolina General Assembly  
Room 307B, Legislative Office Building  
Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Ralph Hise, Chair  
Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on  
Medicaid and NC Health Choice  
North Carolina General Assembly  
Room 312, Legislative Office Building  
Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Donny Lambeth, Chair  
Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on  
Medicaid and NC Health Choice  
North Carolina General Assembly  
Room 303, Legislative Office Building  
Raleigh, NC 27603

Dear Chairmen:

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On behalf of Secretary Cohen, the Department of Health and Human Services is notifying you that this report will be delayed as the Department continues to finalize the development of a cohesive and comprehensive plan. We will submit the plan on or before January 31, 2018.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Walker Wilson, Assistant Secretary for Policy, at [Walker.Wilson@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:Walker.Wilson@dhhs.nc.gov) or 919-855-4800.

Sincerely,

Mandy Cohen, MD, MPH  
Secretary

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Mr. Mark Trogdon, Director  
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Dear Director Trogdon:

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