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Greg Stumbo
Speaker of the House
Kentucky Legislation

Dear Mr. Stumbo:

There have been a number of stories and letters in the newspaper recently about Passport Health Plan, a Medicaid managed care plan for 16 counties in Kentucky. As a public health professional, I’m always interested in articles like this because I see the sick and uninsured on a daily basis. I am equally interested as a consumer: I want to be assured that Medicaid funding is being used appropriately.

I’ve worked in public health for 30 years, so I’ve witnessed the other attempts “firsthand” to manage Medicaid spending and maintain quality care. Passport Health Plan is the only one that has worked.

Passport Health Plan members get care from a large pool of credentialed physicians, nurses, and other healthcare professionals, and they have access to a multitude of benefits and special programs. The Plan’s associates participate in events throughout their 16-county service area. Finally, they treat the members with dignity and respect. **This is an approach to Medicaid that should be applauded and replicated! I am counting on your support.**

Sincerely,

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