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Agency Projected to Save Taxpayers \$15.8 Million for Florida KidCare Contract ~Partnership with the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation yields savings for Floridians~

Tallahassee, Fla. – The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency), via partnership with the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation (FHKC), will realize a \$15.8 million savings over five years because of efficiencies gained through contracting.

"We're thankful for our partnership with Florida Healthy Kids and proud to share the Governor's Savings Award with them," said Secretary Liz Dudek. "The Agency will continue to seek ways to reduce administrative expenses both within the Agency and through our contractors and subcontractors."

Recognizing all parts of government are being asked to do more with less, the Agency requested the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation evaluate their opportunities for savings without reducing services to children. As a result, FHKC reprocured their Third Party Administrator (TPA) administrative contract.

"Florida Healthy Kids is proud that our new contract will make sure that we will continue to serve Florida's families with state of the art technology that makes is simple for children to enroll and stay enrolled in KidCare at a savings to the State," said Rich Robleto, Executive Director of Florida Healthy Kids. "Our new contract provides the State with access to a robust and flexible system."

The current TPA's contract will be replaced in FY 2013-2014 requiring greater efficiencies, and therefore, the cost of processing Florida KidCare applications and renewals, will decrease.

The Agency for Health Care Administration is committed to better health care for all Floridians. The Agency administers Florida's Medicaid program, licenses and regulates more than 45,000 health care facilities and 37 health maintenance organizations, and publishes health care data and statistics at www.FloridaHealthFinder.gov. For more information about the Florida KidCare program, visit www.floridakidcare.org.

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