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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
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Issue 5 - Fragmented Provider Enrollment and Credentialing Processes Are Administratively Burdensome and
Could Discourage Participation in Medicaid.

I agree the provider enrollment and credentialing process is administratively burdensome thus discouraging provider participation. There is an additional significant limitation to the enrollment process that not only discourages provider participation, but limits the participation of willing health care providers. The enrollment process limits Nurse Practitioner participation in a plan if a collaborating physician is not enrolled and/or participating in the same plan. For example, Nurse Practitioner managed clinics located in medically underserved areas (both rural and non-rural) are limited in participating in medicaid plans if the collaborating physician associated with the provider/clinic does not enroll and/or participate his or her private practice in the same plan. The limitation significantly decreases access of care for medicaid patients, particularly in medically underserved and rural areas. The nurse managed clinic is often the only clinic serving an entire county and vulnerable populations are unable to be treated locally. When addressing the provider enrollment and credentialing process, an important consideration is to enroll and credential each health care provider individually, regardless of the collaborating providers participation in the plan.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Enroll and credential all health care providers in medicaid plans individually regardless of collaborating providers plan participation.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree