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IN THE OFFICE OF
SECRETARY OF STATE

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE ORDER

14-01

CREATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HEALTH INNOVATION AND TRANSFORMATION

WHEREAS, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act was enacted by the Congress of the United States and signed into law by the President of the United States on March 23, 2010 and the Health Care Reconciliation Act (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Affordable Care Act") was enacted by the Congress of the United States and signed into law by the President of the United States on March 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, a healthy population is essential to contain health care costs for businesses and families, which in turn will help Illinois attract jobs and continue to expand our economy; and

WHEREAS, the Affordable Care Act created the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation ("CMMI") to test innovative payment and service delivery models, in order to achieve the triple aim of improving the health of the population, improving the quality of care, and reducing unnecessary costs; and

WHEREAS, CMMI directs funding to states for the purpose of developing and testing these innovations; and

WHEREAS, Illinois applied for and received a grant from CMMI for the Governor's Office to lead a six-month planning process with a broad array of stakeholders to identify innovations that would achieve the triple aim in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Illinois invited more than 80 stakeholders to participate in the Alliance for Health; and

WHEREAS, this Alliance for Health Innovation Plan reflects more than nine months of effort by a broad array of health care providers, health insurers, large and small employers, population and community health experts, health policy advocates, academics, and consumer activists, in addition to dozens of state agency directors and their staffs; and

WHEREAS, the Plan recommends the creation of a Governor's Office of Health Innovation and Transformation to lead and coordinate the implementation of the Plan, support collaborative efforts of employers, providers, and insurers to improve our health care delivery system, and signals the importance of these innovations in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Health Information Technology, created by Executive Order 10-01, has fulfilled its responsibility for overseeing the development and implementation of the statewide health information exchange, the Illinois Health Information Exchange, and continues its work to promote the use of health information technology to improve health; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Illinois Health Care Reform Implementation Council, created by Executive Order 10-12, is closely aligned with the work proposed under Illinois' State Health Care Innovation Plan and includes the participation of all of the same State agency Directors, Secretaries and staff;

THEREFORE, I, Pat Quinn, Governor of the State of Illinois, pursuant to the supreme executive authority vested in me by Article V, Section 8 of the Illinois Constitution, do hereby order the following:

I. CREATION

The Office of Health Innovation and Transformation (“Office”) is created within the Office of the Governor. The Office shall be responsible for implementing the Alliance for Health Innovation Plan and directing the State’s participation in the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation’s State Innovation Model Program;

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Office will be to implement Illinois’ Plan in coordination with the multiple State and federal agencies and private sector health care stakeholders involved in the Plan’s creation.

- a. The Office will work with the General Assembly in developing any legislation that may be necessary to implement the policy changes recommended in the Plan.
- b. The Office will operate the Innovation and Transformation Resource Center called for in the Alliance for Health Innovation Plan to accelerate technology implementation, collect, validate and integrate information, facilitate academically rigorous research, facilitate health care system transformation, and disseminate best practices in models of care. The Office will seek an academic institution as a partner to establish and operate the Innovation Transformation and Resource Center to allow for maximum efficiency and access to subject matter expertise.
- c. The Office will seek and manage funding provided by federal grants, contracts, private foundations, as well as funds allocated by state agencies participating in the state health system transformation efforts.

III. STAFF

The Office will be comprised the Governor’s Senior Health Policy Advisor, the current Director of the Office of Health Information Technology, and her staff. Senior staff will be designated to work closely with this new Office from each of the participating State agencies, including but not limited to the Departments of Aging, Children and Family Services, Corrections, Healthcare and Family Services, Human Services, Insurance, Professional Regulation, Public Health, Illinois Health Information Exchange, Get Covered Illinois, and any other Executive Branch employees identified by the Governor.

- a. The Office of Health Information Technology will be merged with the Office and Executive Order 10-01 is hereby rescinded.
- b. The Illinois Health Care Reform Implementation Council established under Executive Order 10-12 will be consolidated with this Office.

IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE

Nothing in this Executive Order shall be construed to contravene any state or federal law.

V. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, this invalidity does not affect any other provision or application of this Executive Order which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are declared to be severable.

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VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.


Pat Quinn, Governor

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