Illinois Health Partners

TO: Illinois Health Partners **Independent Providers**

FROM: Sheri Kowalski

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DATE: October 19, 2015

SUBJECT: United Healthcare ACO Agreement

Illinois Health Partners ACO has signed an agreement to participate in the United Healthcare Commercial ACO product effective 1/1/16. After review of the clinical integration requirements, quality/efficiency metrics and their associated targets and conducting a gap analysis it was determined that we would not include the Independents in the first year of this ACO contract. Due to this lack of electronic cohesiveness in medical records and challenges with data extraction IHP Independent providers will be **excluded** from this Agreement for at least the first year. At this time we do not have any data to indicate the amount of work that will be involved and what, if any benefit there will be. Participation in this product will be reviewed in one year and at that time we will again consider including the Independents in this Agreement.

This agreement will not affect the current commercial UHC or UHC Medicare Advantage contracts.

Please feel free to contact me at 630 527-3487 if you have any additional questions.