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RE: *Bates v. DHHS* – Quarterly Progress Report

Dear Dan:

Enclosed, pursuant to paragraph 280 of the Settlement Agreement, please find the Substance Abuse and Adult Mental Health Services Quarterly Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2014.

As per the order approving amendment to Plan 16 dated May 8, 2014, the following items will no longer be included in this report or future reports: Performance Standards 2.3.1, 3.2, 7.1a, 7.1b, 7.1c, 7.1d, 10.1, 10.2, 11.1, 11.2, 15, 17.1, 17.2, 17.2a, 17.3, 17.3a, 17.4, 17.4a, 17.5, 21.5, 23.1, 23.2, 24.1, 24.2, 25.1, 25.2, 30.1, 30.2, 33.1, 34.1, and 34.2. Descriptions of these standards can be found at the following link:

http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/mentalhealth/consent_decree/amendments/Amendment%20to%20Plan%2016%20May%2008.%202014.pdf

If you have any comments or concerns about the contents of this report, we would be glad to meet to discuss them.

Sincerely,

Sheldon Wheeler

Director of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

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