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**COLUMBUS, Ohio** – Today, the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) Director Maureen Corcoran released a 2019 year-end summary memo to Governor DeWine. The memo (attached) summarizes a series of inherited issues that the Ohio Medicaid confronted during its first year under the DeWine administration. Ohio Medicaid provides health care coverage, services, and support to nearly 3 million Ohioans.

“Ohio Medicaid has come a long way in the past 12 months to overcome systemic challenges, organizational shortcomings, and program vulnerabilities that plagued the department for years,” said Director Corcoran.

The memo outlines issues that came to light following the administration change. For years, Ohio Medicaid struggled to meet federal and state programmatic and regulatory requirements. Corcoran has instituted a series of far-reaching operational improvements. With much of that effort complete, Medicaid can now devote its full attention on proceeding with strategic objectives set forth at the start of Governor DeWine’s administration - first and foremost, moving forward with its managed care procurement.

“The managed care procurement represents a sea change for ODM,” continued Corcoran. “Once completed, we envision dramatically improved health care services and outcomes for Ohio Medicaid members, and greater financial stewardship of Ohio’s taxpayer dollars.”

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Ohio Medicaid will host a teleconference with ODM Director Maureen Corcoran to discuss the 2019 year-end memorandum to Governor DeWine and the agency’s 2020 outlook.

<b>Who</b>	Ohio print and broadcast media outlets Public policy and health care reporters
<b>What</b>	Ohio Department of Medicaid Teleconference on Director Corcoran’s 2019 Year-End Summary
<b>When</b>	Tuesday, January 14 4-4:30p EST
<b>Where</b>	Please RSVP by 3:45p EST to join the call. RSVPs can be sent via email to <a href="mailto:communications@medicaid.ohio.gov">communications@medicaid.ohio.gov</a> .

**For a copy of the ODM 2019 Year-End Summary, email [communications@medicaid.ohio.gov](mailto:communications@medicaid.ohio.gov).**

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