TO: Joint Committee on Insurance and Financial Services  
FROM: Karynlee Harrington, Dirigo Health Agency  
CC: Trish Riley, Governor's Office of Health Policy and Finance  
Dr. Robert McAfee, Chair of the Dirigo Health Agency Board of Directors  
Colleen McCarthy Reid, Esq.  
DATE: December 24, 2008  
RE: Colleen McCarthy Reid’s January 15, 2008 e-mail specific to follow up questions from the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

Please find outlined below the specific question Colleen raised in her January 15, 2008 e-mail along with the Agency’s response. Once you have had a chance to review please do not hesitate to contact me with additional questions.

1. What are the CY 2007 administrative/operating costs for the agency? What is the Maine Quality Forum’s operating expenses?

Response: The Agency’s (Agency includes quality and access) CY2007 operating costs totaled $3,728,226 of which $804,333 is specific to the costs associated with the Quality Forum.

2. Please provide the average per member per month enrollee share.

Response: The average per member per month member/employee share of monthly coverage cost in CY2007 is $191.87.

3. Please provide more information on the subsidies provided to small groups. What is the total number of subsidized small groups v. non-subsidized?

Response: As of December 2007 there are 713 small employers (defined as employers with 2-50 employees) participating in DirigoChoice of which 175 small employer groups do not have employees/dependents eligible for subsidy and 538 small employers groups do have employees/dependents eligible for subsidy.

4. The total percentage of un/underinsured is listed as 60.6%. If possible, please provide a breakdown of percentage uninsured and percentage underinsured.

Response: The breakdown of the 60.6% reported in the December 2007 Monthly Numbers report reflects the percentage of un/underinsured DirigoChoice members through June 2006 (as note number five in the report indicates) is as follows. 34.81% previously uninsured; 25.79% underinsured.

5. Please provide a copy of the Agency’s contract with Harvard Pilgrim Health Care.

Response: A hard copy of the Dirigo Health Agency-Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Group Health Insurance Agreement has been forwarded to you via interoffice mail.