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State of Oklahoma

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Attorney General Drummond,

I write regarding President Donald J. Trump's nationwide federal audit of state Medicaid Fraud Control Units, including the unit housed within your office.

My administration welcomes this audit, and our agencies that intersect with the unit in your agency will be in full compliance with the Trump administration's efforts to ensure Medicaid dollars are protected from fraud, waste, and abuse. Oklahomans deserve a Medicaid system that protects taxpayers and improves health outcomes for the most vulnerable.

President Trump's audit is aimed at aggressive enforcement, accurate documentation, and real accountability from Medicaid providers. That is the right agenda, and Oklahoma should be leading it.

That is why your recent audit request of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority is so concerning. Rather than reinforcing the very guardrails the Trump administration is working to strengthen, your request appears politically motivated and aligned with the interests of major donors who have opposed the State's recent efforts to increase accountability and protect taxpayers.

All across America, and now here in Oklahoma, locally run managed care is bringing greater transparency, accountability, and early fraud detection to Medicaid. It gives the State clearer standards and stronger tools to identify warning signs of fraud and troubling utilization trends before taxpayer dollars are lost. Yet the tone of your audit request and subsequent public statements suggests an effort to unwind the progress Oklahoma has made over the past 18 months to put these new safeguards in place. That would move Oklahoma backward toward an outdated blank-check model for providers, the very system the Legislature determined was too costly and voted in 2022 to modernize through managed care, a nationally accepted model supported by President Trump's broader push for Medicaid accountability.

At a time when President Trump is demanding stronger Medicaid enforcement nationwide, your political theater risks sending the opposite message: that Oklahoma should loosen standards, provide an open checkbook, and retreat from managed care accountability. That would be the wrong direction for our state.

I direct your office to fully cooperate with the Trump administration's audit and to join Republican leaders in Oklahoma in our shared efforts to strengthen, not weaken, Oklahoma's Medicaid accountability framework.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K Stitt", written over a blue horizontal line.

Gov. Kevin Stitt