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The Honorable Peter MacGregor, Chair  
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS  
Michigan State Senate  
Lansing, Michigan 48933

The Honorable Earl Poleski, Chair  
House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS  
Michigan House of Representatives  
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Senator MacGregor and Representative Poleski:

Section 677(2) of 2014 Public Act No. 252 requires the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to report the following information on a monthly basis:

1. *Number of cases referred to PATH.*
2. *Current percentage of FIP cases involved in PATH employment activity.*
3. *Current percentage of FIP cases that meet federal work participation requirements.*
4. *Current percentage of the FIP cases that meet federal work participation requirements for those referred to PATH.*

Please see the attached report, which contains the metrics for the four requirements of this report.

If you have questions regarding Partnership. Accountability. Training. Hope. (PATH), please contact Sheryl Thompson, Deputy Director, Field Operations Administration, at (517) 241-5168. If you have questions regarding the work participation rates, please contact Julie Horn Alexander, Director, Office of Quality Assurance and Internal Control, at (517) 373-4659.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nick Lyon".

Nick Lyon

CC: Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on DHS  
Senate and House Fiscal Agencies  
Senate and House Policy Offices  
State Budget Director

**Section 677(2) of 2014 Public Act No. 252 requires the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to report the following information on a monthly basis:**

**1. Number of cases referred to PATH:**

The number of Family Independence Program (FIP) cases referred to PATH for March 2015 was **64,102**. Source: One Stop Information Management System (OSMIS) data as of May 6, 2015.

**2. Current percentage of FIP cases involved in PATH employment activities:**

The percentage of Family Independence Program (FIP) cases "involved in PATH employment activities" for March 2015 was **70.3%**. The table below provides a break-down of participants coded as "Work First" and includes all FIP recipients (federal and state-funded) who attended orientation and started an activity.

YTD FY2015 Percentage of FIP Cases Involved in PATH Employment Activities

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep
Michigan Works! Agency	2014	2014	2014	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015
2 - Region 7B	67.0%	70.8%	66.7%	64.3%	58.8%	67.3%						
4 - Great Lakes Bay	70.0%	78.6%	73.0%	72.6%	71.1%	71.9%						
5 - Berrien/Cass/Van Buren	69.4%	80.7%	70.6%	73.0%	71.1%	71.3%						
6 - The Job Force	72.1%	81.4%	66.7%	75.0%	73.8%	70.0%						
7 - City of Detroit	62.1%	66.4%	62.6%	64.5%	63.4%	64.5%						
9 - Eastern U.P.	66.7%	78.3%	46.0%	77.0%	66.7%	60.0%						
10 - Career Alliance	71.6%	75.3%	69.2%	70.8%	68.6%	72.1%						
11 - Central Area	61.2%	76.0%	60.3%	57.6%	62.2%	65.0%						
13 - Thumb Area	79.2%	75.0%	74.1%	65.1%	67.7%	71.2%						
14 - Kalamazoo-St. Joseph	72.0%	69.6%	71.3%	72.3%	60.9%	64.3%						
16 - West Central	79.6%	86.0%	81.8%	69.4%	77.3%	86.0%						
17 - Capital Area	70.7%	76.3%	78.2%	75.1%	73.8%	77.8%						
19 - Macomb/St. Clair	72.0%	74.1%	71.8%	75.0%	73.8%	70.6%						
20 - Muskegon County	71.1%	70.7%	67.7%	73.3%	74.0%	75.4%						
21 - Northeast	72.5%	78.7%	65.4%	62.0%	70.0%	84.2%						
22 - Northwest	69.7%	80.0%	75.0%	75.8%	75.0%	87.5%						
23 - Oakland County	68.7%	71.1%	67.5%	66.6%	65.3%	66.9%						
26 - Western U.P.	50.0%	68.2%	81.0%	77.8%	83.3%	68.4%						
29 - Livingston County	83.3%	80.0%	100.0%	62.5%	83.3%	90.9%						
30 - Washtenaw County	68.5%	72.7%	68.8%	75.3%	75.9%	88.9%						
31 - SEMCA	70.7%	75.0%	69.9%	73.1%	74.6%	79.5%						
32 - Ottawa County	90.9%	95.7%	74.1%	79.3%	77.8%	82.6%						
33 - ACSET	63.3%	72.5%	64.5%	68.2%	68.0%	71.0%						
34 - South Central	70.1%	71.6%	71.4%	72.6%	74.2%	73.4%						
Statewide	67.7%	71.9%	67.5%	69.3%	68.1%	70.3%						

Based on DHS coding of participants as "Work First", Includes only those who attend orientation and started an activity, Run by MWA Code assigned by WDA

**3. Current percentage of FIP cases that meet federal work participation requirement.**

The federal work participation rate is based on a monthly review of a statistically valid sample of federally-funded active FIP recipients who have been referred to PATH and have completed the required FIP 21-day orientation. Reviews are completed by the MDHHS Office of Quality Assurance and Internal Control and the work participation rate is calculated per federal regulations. The current percentage of federally-funded FIP cases (meeting the above qualifications) that meet federal work participation requirements for FY 2015, year-to-date (October 2014 - January 2015) is **66.58%** as of May 6, 2015. The FIP work participation rates are point-in-time rates subject to change based on receipt of verifications and review by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families.

**Please Note:** The following table provides details regarding the data included for each monthly report for Fiscal Year 2015. The MDHHS Office of Quality Assurance and Internal Control reports Work Participation Rate (WPR) on a 3-month lag because of the rigorous methodology and testing required to calculate the data.

Reporting Month	Report Number	MDHHS Office of Quality Assurance and Internal Control Period Covered	WDA/MWA Period Covered
December 2014	1	FY 14 YTD October 2013-August 2014	October 2014
January 2015	2	FY 14 YTD October 2013-September 2014	November 2014
February 2015	3	FY 2015 – October 2014	December 2014
March 2015	4	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-November 2014	January 2015
April 2015	5	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-December 2014	February 2015
May 2015	6	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-January 2015	March 2015
June 2015	7	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-February 2015	April 2015
July 2015	8	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-March 2015	May 2015
August 2015	9	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-April 2015	June 2015
September 2015	10	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-May 2015	July 2015
October 2015	11	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-June 2015	August 2015
November 2015	12	FY 2015 YTD October 2014-July 2015	September 2015

**4. Current percentage of the FIP cases that meet federal work participation requirements for those referred to PATH.**

Of the reviewed population of clients who were PATH participants supervised by the Michigan Works! Agencies, the percentage of clients who met the federal work requirements for FY 2015 year-to-date (October 2014 - January 2015) was **73.77%**.