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The Honorable Jimmy Patronis  
Chief Financial Officer  
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Dear CFO Patronis,

Section 409.915(8), F.S., requires the Chief Financial Officer to transfer a portion of medical hospital fees from the General Revenue Fund to the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund beginning in the 2013-14 fiscal year. Specifically, the statute requires the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to certify the amount to be transferred to the Chief Financial Officer by July 20 of each year.

The statute provides for the calculation of the transfer amount as follows:

... an amount equal to the amounts transferred to the General Revenue Fund in the previous fiscal year ... reduced by the amount of refunds paid ... which are in excess of the official estimate for medical hospital fees for such previous fiscal year adopted by the Revenue Estimating Conference on January 12, 2012, as reflected in the conference's workpapers.

The total amount of medical hospital fees transferred to the General Revenue Fund in FY 2016-17 was \$301.5 million, compared to the January 12, 2012, estimate for FY 2016-17 of \$332.3 million.

Consequently, no transfer to the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund is required for FY 2017-18. Projections for future years are attached. These projections are based on the March 17, 2017, General Revenue Estimating Conference.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy J. Baker".

Amy J. Baker  
Coordinator

Attachment: Medical Hospital Fees Forecast

**Calculation of repayments to the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund required by  
section 409.915, F.S.**

	<b>January 2012 forecast</b>	<b>MAR 2017 GR REC Medical-hospital Fees estimate<sup>(1)(2)</sup></b>	<b>Required Repayments to the LCEF</b>
FY 2012-13	286.8	332.1	
FY 2013-14	328.9	296.1	45.3
FY 2014-15	362.0	289.6	0.0
FY 2015-16	341.2	301.6	0.0
FY 2016-17	332.3	301.5	0.0
FY 2017-18	338.2	292.0	0.0
FY 2018-19	354.2	304.8	0.0
FY 2019-20	370.8	305.1	0.0
FY 2020-21	388.2	328.8	0.0
FY 2021-22	406.4	345.3	304.7

<sup>(1)</sup> 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17 medical-hospital fees reflect actual receipts.

<sup>(2)</sup> "Medical-hospital Fees" shown as "Counties' Medicaid Share" on GR REC documents.