



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: The State Health Benefit Plan (SHBP) is the health insurance plan for state employees, teachers, school system employees and retirees who continued coverage, and covered dependents; and

WHEREAS: SHBP has nearly 650,000 covered lives and pays out over \$10 million dollars in claims each day; and

WHEREAS: The contracts for the administration of SHBP benefits are procured on a regular basis to ensure that the State is offering a comprehensive and financially sound health care package; and

WHEREAS: It is during this invitation for proposals process that teams develop plan design, write procurement documents and evaluate proposals that will determine the plan design and administration for the 650,000 covered lives; and

WHEREAS: Teachers and their dependents make up the largest percentage of the covered lives in SHBP; and

WHEREAS: It is critical that educators have a voice in the development process for shaping the health insurance plans available to them.

NOW THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY INVESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the Department of Community Health shall include a teacher representative during the SHBP invitation for proposals process. The Department is further ordered to have the teacher identified and in place for the next procurement process.

This 15 day of April, 2014.

Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR