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## **██████████ Provides Fee Schedule to State Health Plan** ***Treasurer Folwell Applauds the System for its Transparency***

(Raleigh, N.C.) – State Treasurer Dale R. Folwell, CPA announced today that the ██████████ system has provided their current provider contracts between ██████████ and ██████████ detailing the fee schedule for medical services provided to the State Health Plan. The provider contracts and fee schedule provide specific pricing on more than ██████████ provided by ██████████ to the Plan. The price list was provided as the result of a records request submitted to ██████████ in ██████████.

██████████ is a not-for-profit integrated health care system owned by the ██████████. It comprises ██████████ and its provider network, the clinical programs of the ██████████, and ██████████ affiliate hospitals and hospital systems across the state. ██████████ has provided ██████████ medical services to many of the 727,000 members of the State Health Plan.

“██████████ is providing a great service to the people of North Carolina,” said Treasurer Folwell. “For the first time, we will actually be able to validate claims data with contracted rates for services provided by ██████████. With this information we will be sure we’re being billed correctly. It’s the only way to be certain that taxpayers are not paying more than what was agreed to when ██████████ negotiated the rates.”

██████████ is the third party administer for the Plan. They negotiate rates from medical providers (hospitals and providers), then process the claims sending the Plan a bill for services. Until ██████████ provided the provider contracts, no medical provider has ever let the Plan see the negotiated rates, claiming that the information was “confidential and proprietary.”

“Now we have some transparency,” added Folwell. “Before, it was like going to a grocery store where nothing has a price on it and you don’t know what your purchase costs until you check out. Nobody would shop for food like that and we shouldn’t have to shop that way for health care.”

An example of the provider contract/fee schedule provided by [REDACTED] is:

**Site of Service Exhibit**

The following site(s) of service are included in this Agreement:



To view the entire provider contract go to <https://www.nctreasurer.com/Documents/UNC Pricing.pdf>

The State Health Plan, a division of the N.C. Department of State Treasurer, provides health care coverage to more than 727,000 teachers, state employees, current and former lawmakers, state university and community college personnel and their dependents, including non-Medicare and Medicare retirees.

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