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Chair Michael J. Rodrigues Senate Committee on Ways and Means State House, Room 212 Boston, MA 02133

Chair Cindy F. Friedman Joint Committee on Health Care Financing State House, Room 313 Boston, MA 02133 Chair Aaron M. Michlewitz House Committee on Ways and Means State House, Room 243 Boston, MA 02133

Chair John J. Lawn, Jr. Joint Committee on Health Care Financing State House, Room 236 Boston, MA 02133

Dear Chairs Rodrigues, Michlewitz, Friedman, and Lawn:

Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023 line item 4000-0300 requires the Executive Office of Health and Human Services to submit a quarterly report including the projected total costs for the next fiscal year of pharmaceutical pipeline drugs identified by the executive office and expected to be made available for utilization within a 12-month period.

The Executive Office of Health and Human Services has identified 67 pipeline market entries from 74 manufacturers expected to be made available for utilization between July 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 and June 30<sup>th</sup> 2025. The estimated spend on the expected utilization of these products for all MassHealth members (including those enrolled with managed care) is approximately \$8.4M for the same time period. The prior quarterly reported estimated a spend of \$13.9M based on the addition of 68 pipeline market entries from 73 manufacturers. Cell therapies and various oncologic therapies remain the top drivers in spend. The decrease in spend from the previous report is largely due to the approval of two additional gene therapies.

Please contact Sarah Nordberg at <u>Sarah.Nordberg@mass.gov</u> should you have any questions about this report.

Sincerely,

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