

Dear Members of the Pa Insurance Department

I recently learned about the request that Highmark is making to requesting exceptions to the conditions of its purchase of Allegheny Health approved in 2013. The conditions initially placed were done for regulatory oversight particularly in High Mark's monopolistic approach. There should be no exception to original conditions laid out in the initial agreement in 2013.

Highmark has been tremendously flexing its muscle to squeeze the providers in its network because of its large size and monopolistic purchasing power. This is particularly apparent in all of its regions where it has become a dominant player. We should not cave in to this ever enlarging corporate entity. In the end, they squeeze the providers and provide extra savings to corporate executive and shareholder payments rather in infra structure development or other worthwhile causes to help the communitites it serves.

Again, I EMPHASIZE that all requests made by Highmark for exceptions should be absolutely denied.

Thanks you

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