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Via Email

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Re: Request for Exemption – Recovery Audit Contractor Program (RAC)

Dear Mr. Melendez:

The U.S Virgin Islands Medicaid Program is requesting an exemption with respect to the RAC requirement. Currently, the U.S. Virgin Islands Medicaid program does not have an MMIS system and also does not have a Medicaid Fraud Unit that an auditing company could coordinate with. As such, it would be functionally impossible to implement the RAC program at this time

Due to all of these reasons, the U.S. Virgin Islands Medicaid program is requesting and exemption from the RAC requirement. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me at (340) 774-4624.



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