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Nicholas Named Special Projects Director at Insurance Department

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS (April 23, 2010) —State Insurance Commissioner Jay Bradford announced Lowell Nicholas, D.D.S., has been named Special Projects Director for the Arkansas Insurance Department. In this position, Dr. Nicholas will advise the Commissioner on a variety of topics, especially those relating to the implementation of provisions contained in the new Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Prior to joining the Department, Nicholas was involved in a number of health care related endeavors, especially in his capacity as Special Projects Director for the Department of Human Services (DHS) Division of Behavioral Health Services (DBHS) where he directed a project involving the assessment of the Arkansas State Hospital and Arkansas Health Center Medicaid cost methodologies and developed protocols for maximizing third party revenues. He also developed and implemented an effective nursing recruitment program within DBHS.

“I am extremely pleased to have Dr. Nicholas on board as we continue to wrestle with some very complex issues relating to the new health care reform legislation,” said Bradford. “His extensive background in health issues and ability to focus and identify problems for which he can offer workable solutions is greatly needed at this particular time.”

A native of Piggott, Nicholas studied Chemistry at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville and received his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree at the University of Tennessee in Memphis.

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