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HIV Care Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, October 15, 2012 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Room C1A, Bldg C, CDPHE, Denver

Members Present: Judy Bagley, Jeff Basinger, Barb Cardell, Jennifer Chase, Erin Dupuis, Jessica Forsyth, Robert George, Terrence Hughes, Merilou Johnson, Celeste LeBlanc, Maria Lopez, Martha Monroe, Arthur Powers, Peter Ralin, John Reid, Josh Whittington, Danielle Willis

Members Absent: Karl Beck, Richard Blair, Michael Dorosh, Ernest Duff, Anna Hopperstad, Guy Lively, Jennifer Pappas, Lucio Torres-Florez, Robin Valdez, Diane Walker

Department Staff Present: Bob Bongiovanni, Todd Grove, Maria Jackson, Jo Palma, Richard Weinhart

Guests: Erica Carter, Jennifer Chambers, Kelly DeMuth, Jim Graves, Sven Haug, Chris Holtzer, Molly Hughes, Stuart Pappas, Jason Smith, Darrell Vigil

Introductions

Jessica Forsyth (acting as chair for Jeff Basinger) welcomed members, department staff, and guests, and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

Approval of Minutes

The September 10, 2012 meeting minutes were approved as written.

Reports:

1. HIV Medication Assistance Program (HMAP) and the State Pharmaceutical Assistance Program (SPAP)Utilization Summary

Chris Holtzer reported that the total clients served declined 6.5 percent and the total prescriptions declined about 13 percent. Prescriptions for client served also declined and the total expenditures declined by \$700,000. The main reason for that average cost continues to fall is due to an overall drop in antiretroviral prescriptions arising from movement of ADAP enrollees to Medicaid, but another reason might be clients preparing for the introduction of Stribild.

Chris reported that the SPAP is slowly trending up slightly in terms of numbers of enrollees as well as the number of claims, but the actual dollar amount is going down. This can be attributed to the change in the "coverage gap" rules that went in to effect last year. Average cost per claim is the same as last year, which is in line with moving people through the coverage gap and catastrophic coverage. The claims per client served is basically flat, at approximately 11 claims per quarter per patient served.

Todd reported that the BTGC renewal applications will be mailed out in the next few days. There have been no major changes in the program rules but several drug plans are leaving the market. This information is included in the enrollment packet. The program will be doing enrollment

opportunities at the health department, to include phone assistance and client face-to-face appointments.

Todd reported that there is a big switch in the number of people who have moved from our core pharmacy network to using Walgreens and King Soopers on the HIAP claims. There has not been a similar switch in the BTGC member participation outside of our very small network. The enrollment packets will indicate that they can use a non-care pharmacy so there might see some shift in that as well.

2. Summary of Medication and Insurance Expenditures and Projections
Bob reported that as of the most recent projections there are about \$5.3 million in funds available
to ADAP at December 31, 2013. These are from a combination of federal and state sources that
will be available as of that time.

Todd reported that there have been 98 new clients enrolled in the HIAP and 71 in the BTGC since the beginning of April 2012. This is in addition to the people moved over to Medicaid, Medicare, and private insurance, resulting in considerably less strain on the HMAP. If health care reform continues on track, starting in October 2013 CDPHE staff and ADAP contractors can begin to help enroll clients through the exchange if they don't qualify for Medicaid. It's unclear how much ADAP funding will continue into 2014; if funding remains flat or only slightly reduced, there are other projects that could be funding and ADAP will also be able to provide wrap-around assistance to HIAP based on the guidance from HRSA at a greater level.

Committee Chair Report – Jeff Basinger declined to provide a report

Committee Workgroups

1. ADAP Advisory

Jennifer Chase provided a brief report on the activities of the last ADAP workgroup meeting. Meeting minutes are attached.

- 3. Medical Advisory
 Stibild was added to the ADAP formulary.
- 4. Pharmacy No report

Discussion Items

A. Health Care Reform Work Group update – Peter Ralin

Peter reported that the group had their last meeting and completed their mission by completing the recommendations, consisting of both goals and objectives. The group's eleven members received the final product for them to review and edit, with comments are due to Bob and Peter by October 17, 2012. This will allow sufficient time to review those comments in order to have the final document to be reviewed and approved at the November 5, 2012 Coalition meeting.

The group will be recommending that, since this is a work in process, the work group should continue in the future as the landscape as the health care reform gets implemented and modified.

B. Data Collection Task Force update – Barb Cardell

The webinar "Looking into the Future without a Crystal Ball" was held on September 24, 2012, despite some technical difficulties. The webinar portion did not take place, but the conference call proceeded with eight participants. The notes from this webinar will be sent out.

The next webinar titled "COHIRO and CIVHC and EHRs, oh my..." will be held on October 22, 2012 from 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. This will be an overview of data sharing systems that are in place with potential impacts on people living with HIV.

C. Update on 2013 Legislative Session-Bob Bongiovanni

Bob reported on regulations regarding CD4 test results. The regulations that pertain to viral load testing have changed, enabling CDPHE to analyze over the long term if people achieve undetectable viral load and maintain that status. Under the previous regulations, once people achieved undetectable viral loads, data ceased to be reported to CDPHE. There are current discussions to change the reporting rules around CD4 tests. CD4 counts are now reported to CDPHE if they are under 500 or 29%; this could be changed to include CD4 test results regardless of the count.

D. Medicaid and Insurance Fee-for-Service Updates – Bob Bongiovanni Bob attended the latest meeting of the Medicaid Advisory Committee on Adults without Dependent Children. A handout was distributed at that meeting on the topic "What is the future now that Medicaid Expansion is optional to the States?" They are still considering the extent to which Medicaid will be expanded in Colorado in 2014.

E. Other Business

Bob announced that the Dr. Tista Ghosh has been appointed as the Division Director for DCEED and she will begin her new role on December 1, 2012. Melanie Mattson has been selected as the STI/HIV Section Chief and she will begin her new role on November 1, 2012 officially.

Colorado will be represented on the national AIDS Crisis Task Force and Bob will be serving on this committee.

The committee was invited to return later for an opportunity to meet Dr. Mary Wakefield, the National HRSA Administrator.

Next Meeting –November 19, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This meeting will be held at the CDPHE, Bldg A, in the Carson room on the first floor.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.