



Quarterly Stakeholder Meeting

State Demonstration to Integrate Care for Full Benefit Medicare-Medicaid Enrollees

Call-In Meeting Minutes

[A simultaneous in-person meeting occurred in another room at the MS Society. The separate call-in meeting affords attendees a better opportunity to participate and ask questions by phone.]

DATE: Monday, July 29, 2013

CHECK-IN TIME: 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. MT

MEETING TIME: 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. MT

LOCATION: National Multiple Sclerosis Society
900 South Broadway
Denver, CO 80230
[Google Map](#)

CALL-IN: 1-877-820-7831, Code: 946029#

| ITEM | AGENDA TOPIC | DURATION |
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| 1. | Opening Remarks | 10 minutes |
| 2. | Strategic Direction for the Accountable Care Collaborative (Open Comment Period, Questions/Answers) | 30 minutes |
| 3. | RCCO Updates (Open Comment Period, Questions/Answers) | 20 minutes |
| 4. | Advisory Subcommittee Update (Open Comment Period, Questions/Answers) | 10 minutes |
| 5. | Project Update (Open Comment Period, Questions/Answers) | 30 minutes |
| 6. | Next Steps (Open Comment Period, Questions/Answers) | 15 minutes |
| 7. | Closing Remarks | 5 minutes |



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Attendees:

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| Sean Bryan | Eskedar Makonnen |
| Barb Harris | Fofi Mendez |
| Leah Jardine | Matt Vedal |
| Drew Kasper | Janine Vincent |
| Laura Landsworth | Kelley Vivian |
| Francesca Maes | |

[Some participant names were inaudible.]

Opening Remarks:

Eskedar Makonnen opened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. She welcomed and thanked everyone for their attendance. Meeting participants introduced themselves.

Strategic Direction for the Accountable Care Collaborative:

Leah Jardine, member of the Department's Accountable Care Collaborative (ACC) team, provided a brief overview of the ACC's background and highlighted the strategic vision of the program's future development [see accompanying PowerPoint presentation posted along with the minutes].

Francesca Maes asked about behavioral health integration in the ACC for Medicare-Medicaid enrollees in the Demonstration. She highlighted the need for a more comprehensive approach in linking physical and behavioral health.

RCCO Updates:

Matt Vedal asked participating Regional Care Collaborative Organization (RCCO) representatives to provide updates regarding the Demonstration.

From Region 7, Kelley Vivian mentioned:

- (1) Five thousand potential enrollees expected in RCCO 7.
- (2) Strengthened relationships among the RCCO and Single Entry Point agencies (SEPs), the Independence Center, and the Area Agency on Aging.
- (3) Examination of the existing Primary Care Medical Provider (PCMP) network.
- (4) Attempts to recruit other providers through targeted outreach efforts.



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Drew Kasper, representing Regions 2, 3 and 5, highlighted:

- (1) Continued network expansion efforts.
- (2) Relationship building with Single Entry Point agencies (SEPs) and Community Centered Boards (CCBs).
- (3) Development of written protocols and execution of several Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs).
- (4) Community efforts and future meetings.

Leah Jardine reinforced that the Department and the RCCOs are making provider recruitment a top priority.

Advisory Subcommittee Update:

In Sheryl Bellinger's absence, Eskedar Makonnen provided an update on the Advisory Subcommittee's activities since April. She highlighted progress in the areas of quality measures, enrollment materials, and written protocols between community partners and RCCOs.

Eskedar also reminded participants that Advisory Subcommittee meetings are open and occur on the second Tuesday of each month. The Subcommittee's meeting schedule and all materials are posted on the Demonstration's web page on the Department's web site.

[Eskedar asked participants to mute their phones to avoid feedback and background noise.]

She mentioned upcoming topics the Subcommittee would address such as development of the training curriculum, additional funding opportunities, and continued readiness assessment efforts.

Project Update:

Matt Vedal reported on the Demonstration project's progress since the last quarterly stakeholder meeting in April. He highlighted:

- (1) Sustained state and national commitment to the Demonstrations.



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- (2) The status of Medicare data and the Statewide Data and Analytics Contractor's (SDAC's) progress in linking the Medicare data to corresponding Medicaid data.
- (3) The CMS timeline for review of implementation funding requests.

Next Steps:

Matt also mentioned that conversations with CMS are ongoing with the intention of moving toward a formal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and readiness assessment before implementation.

He emphasized ongoing systems and operational work within the Department and refinement of the implementation timeline as updates are received from CMS.

Matt reminded participants that the next quarterly meeting would occur toward the end of October. He again asked if participants had any remaining questions or comments.

Drew Kasper asked a question about the integration of data and systems regarding the ACC's five-point plan. Sean Bryan mentioned the Medicaid Management Information Systems (MMIS) reprocurement process was addressing some of those issues to move toward a more integrated approach. Different modules, including case management modules, were intended to support a "plug and play" concept. The Department continues to envision a more comprehensive, centralized system, where data can be appropriately shared in compatible formats.

Closing Remarks:

Matt and Eskedar thanked everyone again for their participation. Eskedar mentioned that the next Advisory Subcommittee meeting would be held on August 13.

[The meeting ended at 2:31 p.m.]