

Children's Services Steering Committee Meeting
May 22, 2015
Minutes

Present: Ayelet Talmi (University of Colorado), Anita Rich (CCHAP), Sister Michael Dolores Allegri (foster care system rep), Elizabeth Freudenthal (HCPF) and Debbie Fimple (HCPF)

Present by phone: Chris Maestas (AMI Wellness), Bill Campbell (Colorado Children's Hospital)

1. Introductions facilitated by Elizabeth Freudenthal
2. Rebranding Medicaid. Debbie Fimple from HCPF presented information about the Medicaid rebrand.
 - a. The rebranding is designed to support Medicaid expansion by creating a consumer-friendly logo and name. Health First Colorado will have the tagline "Colorado's Medicaid Program" for at least the first year to aid in the transition.
 - b. Committee members expressed the potential for confusion with Health*Colorado*, the Medicaid navigator agency. Debbie replied that HCPF was hoping to rename the agency during the re-bidding process. This would happen before the new brand and logo are officially launched.
 - c. Anita commented that she'd seen this information before, from an email Gina Robinson sent to the Steering Committee. The word is getting out.
3. Personal Care messaging. Elizabeth Freudenthal presented a draft of brief messaging for providers about requesting personal care services before the state plan benefit is officially launched.
 - a. Anita suggested that HCPF run this messaging by the RCCOs to see how it fits into their processes.
 - b. Anita also commented that children with complex health care needs already have many different care plans from many different providers. These plans are not centralized and not consistent. Some providers won't know what is on other plans, and this can compromise care. The RCCOs are getting funding for delegated care coordination, and this should be included in their care coordination duties. She advocated for a single centralized care plan with different sections, managed by one person, a care coordinator, delegated by the RCCO.
 - c. Ayelet added that the quality of care can suffer if the personal care benefit plan is completely separate from everything else.
 - d. Elizabeth replied that right now, not all Medicaid members are enrolled in RCCOS. HCPF cannot base state plan policy on the ACC system for this reason. However, to address this need, the personal care benefit aligned the personal care plan with the home health care plan—the same form can be used to request both benefits. The personal care benefit rule language will also include a stipulation that either a 485 Home Health Certification Plan of Care or a form with identical content would be accepted as required documentation. This information will be added to the draft messaging. Elizabeth also said that she would pass these suggestions on to the ACC team.