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Department of Health Care
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Medical Services Board

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD

303 East 17th Avenue 11th Floor Conference Room, Denver, CO 80203
July 12, 2019

Call to Order

Ms. Blakely called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Roll Call

The Board Coordinator called the roll. There were sufficient members for a quorum with ten members participating.

A. Members Present

Christy Blakely, Cecile Fraley, Patricia Givens, Simon Hambidge Jessica Kuhns, Bregitta Hughes, Charolette Lippolis, Amanda Moorer, An Nguyen, David Pump and Donna Roberts.

B. Members Excused

Simon Hambidge

C. Staff Present

Tom Massey, Deputy Executive Director; Eric Kuhn, Attorney General; and Chris Sykes, Board Coordinator

Announcements

Ms. Blakely announced the next Medical Services Board Meeting will be held at 303 East 17th Avenue 11th Floor Conference Room, Denver, CO 80203 on Friday, August 9, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

It is the policy of this Board and the Department to remind everyone in attendance that this facility is private property. Please do not block the doors or stand around the edges of the room. Please silence cell phones while in the meeting room.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Kuhns moved for the approval of the June minutes with correction. The motion was seconded by Ms. Moorer. The minutes were approved, 10:0.

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Rules

A. Consent Adoption Agenda

Ms. Moorer moved to remove the rule from the Consent agenda and add to the Final Adoption agenda , Ms, Roberts seconded the motion. The Board voted to move Document 01 off the Consent agenda to the Final Adoption agenda, 10:0.

Document 01, MSB 19-01-30-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Rule concerning Program Integrity, Section 8.000

Bart Armstrong, Program Integrity, discussed the stakeholder letter received and the points within. Language in the rule is aligned with the statute, some proposed language is duplicative and already is written in the rule and the appeals rights are not affected by this rule revision.

Board Discussion – Discussion included a review of the points in the letter by the rule author. A discussion was held about how to proceed and it was decided that the staff had sufficiently addressed the points raised and the Board moved forward with a vote. Staff was asked to follow up with the stakeholder.

Public - NA

Ms. Moorer moved for the final adoption of Document 01. Ms. Kuhns seconded the motion.

The Board voted the final adoption of Documents 01, 10:0.

B. Final Adoption Agenda

Document 02, MSB 19-04-16-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Rules concerning Case Management and Quality Performance, Sections 8.393, 8.500, 8.600 & 8.700

Heather Fladmark and Brittany Trujillo, Case Management Services Coordinator, presented the rule and explained rule has been revised to include additional stakeholder discussions between meetings. Reviewed the changes to the rule. The provider search work on website was discussed, additional clarification in sections and added definitions. Some requests are outside of the scope of this revision and will continue in the Fall.

Board Discussion – Discussion included the robust stakeholder involvement and a correction to the citation on page 19.

Public Testimony – Linda Skaflen, ARC of Adams County – many stakeholder meetings since June and the staff were very accesible. Excited for the work going forward in the Fall. The website is not functional at the time, please review.

Ms. Moorer moved for the final adoption of Document 02, with recommended changes. Ms. Roberts seconded the motion.

The Board voted the final adoption of Document 02, 10:0.

C. Initial Approval Agenda

Document 03, MSB 19-05-07-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Long-Term Services and Supports HCBS Benefit Rule Concerning the Children's Extensive Supports (CES) waiver, Section 8.503

Kathleen Homan, Benefits and Services Management Division and Cassandra Keller, Community Option Benefits Section, presented the rule and reviewed changes to the rule, including removing the 3rd party documentation requirement and language cleanup.

Board Discussion – Discussion included that the overnight care requirement drives a fiscal note and will need to be included in the Governor's budget request.

Public Testimony – Maureen Welch, Parent, discussed clarification requests, where some language is too restrictive and where some language is too open.

Bethany Pray, Colorado Center on Law and Policy, appreciate staff work on the revision. Good changes to the rule and beyond, like the application process.

Dr. Fraley moved for the initial approval of Document 03. Dr. Nguyen seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 03, 10:0.

Document 04, MSB 18-12-27-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Rule Concerning Employment First, Section 8.500

Adam Tucker, Benefits and Services Management Division, presented the rule and explained the rule is driven by legislation. The rule works in lock step with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. A great amount of stakeholder input was sought to create this rule. Provider qualifications, individual job coaching and providers reimbursed for certification and/or trainings are all included in the rule language.

Board Discussion – Board discussion included internet based trainings and bringing trainers to staff to impact rural Colorado accessibility. The approval of training plans was discussed and the 5 year outlook to look at the data and how to expand the benefit.

Public Testimony – Maureen Welch, appreciate the work on the rule. Clarification needed on national certification list of programs

Ms. Hughes moved for the initial approval of Document 04. Ms. Roberts seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 04, 10:0.

Document 05, MSB 19-06-06-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Rule concerning the FOHC Rule, Section 8.700

Kevin Martin, Payment Reform Section, presented the rule and explained revisions creates a second alternative payment methodology, working closely with stakeholders. Revisions allow for nurse visits and telehealth, not bound to a physical in the office visit.

Board Discussion – Discussion included an appreciation of rule, how tele medicine is very helpful, wraparound services used and how the rule promotes the use of all the services available.

Public Testimony - NA

Ms. Roberts moved for the initial approval of Document 05. Dr. Nguyen seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 05, 10:0.

D. Consent

Ms. Kuhns moved to add Document 05 to the Consent Agenda. Ms. Moorer seconded the motion.

The Board voted approval, 10:0.

E. Closing Motion

Mr. Pump moved to close the rules portion of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Dr. Nguyen. The Board voted to close the rules portion of the agenda, 10:0.

Open Comments

Maureen Welch

David Pump

Department Updates

- Department Updates/Questions – Tom Massey, Deputy Executive Director

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Medical Services Board is at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, August 9, 2019 at 303 East 17th Avenue 11th Floor Conference Room, Denver, CO 80203.

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