

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services Medicaid Advisory Committee February 1, 2019

MAC Members Present:

Jason Grinter, Onsite Dental/Liberty Dental Plan
Thomas Huggett, Lawndale Christian Health Center
Arnold Kanter, Barton Management
Marvin Lindsey, Community Behavioral Healthcare Assn.
Ann Lundy, ACCESS Community Health Network
Howard Peters, HAP Inc. Consulting
Kai Tao, Alliance Chicago
Neli Vazquez-Rowland, A Safe Haven

MAC Members Absent:

Chuck Beemon

Ex-Officio Members:

Bill Dart

HFS Staff Present:

Mike Casey
Kelly Cunningham
Theresa Eagleson
Cheryl Easton
Arvind K. Goyal
Shawn McGady

Robert Mendonsa
Sylvia Riperton-Lewis
Daniel Susse
Gretchen Vermeulen
Hector Villagrana

Interested Parties:

Anderson, Kacy – ICOY
Atcheson, Kevin – IPHA
Auerbach, Amanda – TASC
Becker, S. - Shriver Center
Bedford, Louis – ICOY
Beebe, Jessie – AFC
Bell, Maria – Aresis
Berken, David – Thresholds
Bertes, Mike
Bosio, Michelle - Clearbrook
Bowley, Judy - Liberty Dental Plan
Brenna, Julie
Brown, James – Autumn Health Care
Brunsvold, Libby - Takeda
Pharmaceuticals
Burke, Kim -Lake County Health Dept.
Cale, Grant - Bristol Myers
Camarena, Fabian - IHPA
Campbell, Ed - Grand Prairie Services
Campbell, Paula – IPHCA
Campos, Blanca – CBHA
Carvalho, Anna – Anna J. Carvalho
Consultant, LLC

Chan, Kathy, Cook County Health
Chapman, Carrie - Legal Council for
Health Justice
Chittaja, Emily – LaRabida
Cini, Joe - Automated Health Systems
Clark, Jerusha - Dental Quest
Cohen, Laurie - Civic Federation
Deatherage, Anna - HDIS
Dennison, Charlotte – BCBS
Drendel, Mandy – Consultant
Eagleton, Heather
Feld, Kristen – Clearbrook
Flanary, Maura - Shield Health Care
Flores, Juan – IMPA
Foster, Eric – IABH
Frey, Daniel – IARF
Gaines, Susan – IPHCA
Gregory, Kathleen - Kathleen Gregory
Consulting
Grieser, Gretchen – County Care
Griffin, Gene - IL Children's Mental
Health Partnership
Hammoudeh, Matt – LSSF
Haney, Dionne – ISDS

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Hasamear, Diana - IL Cancer Care
Hayden, Jill – Meridian
Hong Duffin, Grace – Kenneth Young
Center
Hovanez, George
Hurter, David - Amita Health
Israel, Nadeen - AIDS Foundation of
Chicago
Jarmuz, Martha - Choices
Johnson, Susie – MHN / ACO
Jones Lorrie - Next Level Health
Jones, Laura
Kirby, Sean – Health News IL
Klink, Don - VNA Health Care
Kowalski, William - FEI Systems
LaFond, Michael – Abbvie
Landers, Kelsie – Everthrive Illinois
Lawson, Natalie - Smart Policy Works
Leonard, Carol - Dental Quest
Martin, Mona – Consultant
Martineck, Kim - Greater Elgin Family
Care
McCoy, Sarah – IHCOP
McGuire, Patrick - Medical Home Network
Monnell, Lupta – Erie Family Health
Center
Morthland, Kate – PPIL
Muehlbauer, Carrie -ICOY
Nelson, Julie – CSH
O'Donnell, Heather – Thresholds
Olds Frey, Samantha – IAMPH
Perez, Rocio - Arc of IL
Peters, Chelsea – HMA
Pulliam, Kelly - Liberty Dental Plan
Ratcliffe, Sara - IL Home Care Hospice
Council
Reimers, Lori – AHIP
Roberts, Denise
Robinson, Brian - Automated Health
Systems
Robinson, Sam – Canary Telehealth
Rolte, Tanya – BCBS
Rosenblatt, Hannah - Access
Ryan, Ken – ISMS
Sagalouch, Marina – Pfizer

Schubert, Ralph – UIC/DSCC
Seermon, Lynn - Kaizen Health
Sia, Justin - Conlon & Dunn Public
Strategies
Sidell, Sharon – Sidell & Associates
Spivack, Felicia – Meridian
Sutton, Mikal - BCBS IL
Thierry, Kate – BCBS IL
Turek Rice, Anita - Molina Healthcare
Vinkler, David - Molina Healthcare
Weber, Jamie – Avesis
Werner, Matt M - Werner Consulting
Wilburn, Kuliva - Wilburn Strategic
Solutions
Wiseman, Lisa - Humana
Wolf, Brenda - LaRabida Children's

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- I. Call to Order – The regular quarterly meeting of the Medicaid Advisory Committee was called to order on February 1, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., by Chair Howard Peters. A quorum was established.
- II. Introductions – MAC members and HFS staff were introduced in Chicago and Springfield. HFS Director Eagleson was welcomed and made opening remarks.
- III. Current Business
 - a. Behavioral Health Transformation Update – Kelly Cunningham
 - i. State Plan Amendments - Several State Plan amendments were approved by CMS.
 - ii. 1115 Waiver Pilots – 10 waiver pilots were approved as part of the 1115 demonstration waiver. As of today, 5 of those have become operational, with 4 becoming operational today, as follows:
 - Residential & Inpatient Treatment
 - Clinically Managed / Withdrawal Management
 - SUD Case Management
 - Peer Recovery Support

The intensive in-home pilot – which is geared toward children with serious emotional disturbances – was rolled out October 1, 2018. We will continue to work on the others. We may be looking at some slight tweaks and changes in some design and criteria. This is something that we will continue to keep the MAC informed of.

- iii. Integrated Health Homes – The Department had an expected launch date of January 1, 2019. That process has been slowed-down because of significant concerns from the providers.
 - No dates have been locked down.
 - Supported Housing is still on track.
 - 23 health homes have been certified.
 - 37 additional applications are currently in process.
 - Identifying areas where we can be a little more responsive to some Providers concerns; and
 - The opportunity to bring the Managed Care entities into this process.

The floor was open for Q&A

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- b. **NB Update** – Update given by Kristen Herman. The NB class is all Medicaid eligible children under the age of 21 in Illinois who have been diagnosed with a mental health or behavioral disorder by any licensed practitioner who has recommended intensive home community based services to treat various disorders in children who need mental health service. The NB class was certified in 2014 and the Consent Decree received court approval in January 2018. We did host 3 NB subcommittee meetings that were held in July and August of 2018; and then submitted the initial draft of the implementation plan to the court on October 29, 2018. HFS, plaintiff's counsel, and the expert, John O'Brien, are currently negotiating the terms of the Implementation Plan and we are anticipating that it will be finalized soon. We don't have a timeline as of this time. Mr. O'Brien has an extensive background in Medicaid policy. He has worked for federal CMS. Mr. O'Brien has partnerships with other national leaders and we will have access to significant expertise in this area. Mr. O'Brien's role for us will be a little bit different than a court monitor in that he will be providing guidance for all parties.

HFS is working to re-establish the NB subcommittee and the standing subcommittee under the Medicaid Advisory Committee and we anticipate that the subcommittee will be revamped with a new charter and will start work in the near future.

The floor was opened for Q&A

IV. New Business

- a. **Opioid subcommittee** – It was discussed at the last Medicaid Advisory Committee. It was decided not to establish this committee as it would be duplicative of the work that the Governor's Executive Opioid Taskforce and several other state level committees are doing.

Maria Bruni, Assistant Secretary of DHS, gave an overview regarding the Governor's Opioid Subcommittee. There are a couple of entities that provide stakeholder input as to what states do in respect to the opioid crisis. One of those entities is the Illinois Advisory Council on Opioids; the Council began meeting in January 2017 and as of June 2018, there were over 200 members on the Council; the Council meets monthly. There are several subcommittees of the Advisory Council and one of them specifically relates to improving access to care; also established are committees on public education; children and families, and prescribing practices. It is also a very fluid group, and there is nothing to say that we couldn't create additional work groups. The Advisory Council has been an important entity to advise the Taskforce. The Taskforce was created through an Executive Order two years ago to establish a high level inter-agency leadership group that would be working across all the facets of the opioid crisis. This would include Public Safety, Licensing, DCFS and Health and Human Services. We are anticipating that experts will continue its work. As of last year,

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we worked on developing an action plan and the accompanying Implementation plan. The State Opioid Action Plan was a high level overview of what we are trying to accomplish. The Implementation Plan really gets into the nuts and bolts of how we want to accomplish it; including specific objectives, metrics and timeframes.

- b. Medicaid Eligibility & Redeterminations – Lynne Thomas provided an update as follows:
 - IES has been up and running for over a year.
 - Since Phase II has gone live we have processed over 850,000 applications through IES.
 - To date 552,000 - Manage My Case accounts have been linked.
 - 169,000 people have submitted their renewals through Manage My Case.
 - 66,000 have submitted requests.
 - 73,000 have submitted SNAP applications and;
 - 119,000 have submitted changes.

The floor was opened for Q&A

V. Old Business

- a. HealthChoice Illinois Enrollment – Robert Mendonsa provided an update on HealthChoice Illinois. We now have six plans; 4 which are statewide. We are still waiting for final approval from CMS and there are no plans for expansion. BCBS “choice” enrollment is now available. DCFS/Special Needs children’s enrollment in MCOs is on-pause.
- b. Legislative Update – Shawn McGady provided the legislative update. If you have any legislation that will be impacting the agency and you would like to talk with us about it, it is better to have those conversations in February and March rather than April or May. Please feel free to reach out to me and we can start the discussions. The deadline to file bills is 2 weeks from today. I will be willing to give a more detailed update on that at the next MAC meeting.
- c. Long Term Services & Support – Kelly Cunningham provided an update.
 - All the required documentation and answers to questions has been provided to federal CMS.
 - We are working with a short timeframe; this one has taken more time; basically, we had to amend 5 of the 9 waivers to allow for the state-wide expansion.
 - July 1, 2019: we expect to have approval from CMS; we had approval from CMS prior to that to improve the work internally to move the project forward.

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- CMS has everything in-house and hopefully there will be a quick turnaround.

VI. Subcommittee Reports

- a. Public Education Subcommittee Report – Kathy Chan gave a brief update from the December 6, 2018 meeting. All minutes are available online at <https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/About/BoardsandCommissions/MAC/Pages/MeetingMinutes.aspx>. The next Public Education Subcommittee meeting will be held on June 6, 2019.
- b. Quality Care Subcommittee – Ann Lundy gave a brief update from the October 9, 2018 meeting; she also introduced John Jansa who gave a brief presentation regarding LTSS. All minutes are available online at <https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/About/BoardsandCommissions/MAC/Pages/MeetingMinutes.aspx>. The next Quality Care Subcommittee meeting will be held on April 16, 2019.

The floor was open for Q&A

VII. Approval of February 1, 2019 meeting minutes

VIII. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Next Medicaid Advisory Committee will be held May 3, 2019, at the JRTC, Room 2-025 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.