Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services N.B. Stakeholder Subcommittee of the Medicaid Advisory Committee April 28, 2025, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Members Present

Janeth Barba Family Service Association of Greater Elgin Area

Stephanie Barisch Center for Youth and Family Solutions

Michelle Churchey-Mims Community Behavioral Healthcare Association (CBHA)

Regina Crider Family Advocate

Jud DeLoss Illinois Association for Behavioral Health (IABH)

Stephanie Duckworth Centerstone of Illinois

Andy Durbin Illinois Collaboration on Youth (ICOY)
Michele Esser Lake County Health Department

Michelle Herron

Community and Residential Services Authority

Emily Miller

Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities

Laura Kane

Marshmallow's HOPE Nonprofit Organization

Jason Keeler Allendale Association

Jeff Lata DuPage County Health Department

Angie Hampton Egyptian Health Department

Members Absent

Susan Harris Central Illinois Care Service
Michael Naylor University of Illinois at Chicago

Kendra Barlow-Johnson Family Advocate

Amelia Joseph Pillars Community Health

Dee Ann Ryan Family Advocate

Diana Taylor Meneses Children's Home Association of Illinois

l. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm

II. Roll Call of Committee Members

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

III. Introduction of HFS Staff

No new HFS staff attended.

IV. Healthcare & Family Services Presentation

The committee continued their review and offered feedback on the DRAFT N.B. Consent Decree Quality Assurance (QA) Plan that was sent to the subcommittee members after the previous meeting. The DRAFT plan was reviewed in sections

including the purpose of the QA Plan, initial structural measures, initial process measures, CMS Core Measures, outcome measures, utilization analysis, and baseline reporting. HFS then asked the subcommittee for feedback on the various areas.

Suggestions were made to improve the information regarding the timeframe from the completion of the IM+CANS to finalized referrals. It's crucial to ensure that youth who declined services are not counted more than once. We should clearly indicate the number of youths who declined services, as well as those who could not be located. Additionally, we need to examine each child and family's goals to determine if they are being met and provide a breakdown of this information by subpopulations.

HFS expressed gratitude for the valuable feedback and indicated that the suggested areas would be considered for inclusion in the QA Plan, provided a systematic data collection process can be established. They clarified that if a reliable method for collecting and analyzing data is determined, the suggested areas would be incorporated. However, if such a method cannot be established, these items will not be included in the current iteration of the QA Plan. HFS will, nonetheless, discuss the potential for including them in future quality assurance plans if the necessary data resources become available.

V. Public Comment

None

VI. Additional Business: Old & New

A. Items for future discussion

A request was made to continue discussions regarding implementation challenges.

B. HFS Announcements

None

VII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:10 pm.