

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Health Care Finance



D.C. MEDICAL CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MCAC)

Location: Virtual Meeting via WebEx

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

MEETING MINUTES*

ATTENDEES:

<u>MEMBERS:</u>	<u>GUESTS CONTINUED</u>
Abby Wolf Stanton, EDLC	Bernard S. Arons, MD, Amerigroup
Andrew Robbie, Unity Health Care, Inc.	Brenda Lee Richardson
Barry Brauth	Cavella Bishop, DHCF
Chioma Oruh, Chi Bornfree, LLC	Dr. Cheryle Baptiste
Derejen Breedem, Good Hope Family Dental	Dr. Chimene Liburd, MD MBA, FACP
Gail Avent, Total Family Care Coalition	Claudia Schlosberg, Convener, DC Coalition LTC
Kirk Holmes, Therapeutic Sessions	Colleen Sonosky, DHCF
Maria Elena Anderson	Danielle Dorsey Family Choice
Manisha Singal, Bridgepoint Hospital	Erica L. Mcclaskey
Marie Morilus-Black, MBI Health Services	Grace Njei
Portia Cole, Trinity Washington University	Jerome Schorr, AmeriHealth Caritas DC
Rachelle Ellison, People for Fairness Coalition	Jessica Sharac, DHCF
Robert Hay Jr., MSDC, Vice-Chair MCAC	Dr. Jacqueline A. Watson, DO, MBA
Sarah Barclay Hoffman, Children's National	Karina Wagnerman, DHCF
Saleem Shah, NHMS, Chair MCAC	Kate Christopherson, DHCF
Tabitha Morris, The Healing Palace	Kathy Dieuveil
	Kerda DeHaan, DHCF
<i>MCAC Public Ex-Officio Members</i>	Kevin Wheeler, MD
Colleen Martin, United Health Care	Lisa Gilmore, DHCF
Eric Walcott	Lorena Ortiz, DHCF
Ian Paregol	Luis Pazmino
Kurt Gallagher	Melanie Williamson, DHCF
Mark LeVota	Michelle Moses, MTM, Inc.
Tricia Quinn	Mishondy Wright-Brown, Medstar
	Ned Martin, DHCF
<i>MCAC Government Ex-Officio Members</i>	Pamela Harmon, DDS
Ayanna Bennett	Patricia Gatling
Melisa Byrd	Porscha Thomas, MTM, Inc.
	Rajan Thomas, HMI Home Health
<u>GUESTS:</u>	Rob Downing
Alexis Pantoja, TPM Law	Sadie Bianco, PSI Family Services
Allie Liss, DHCF	Sheila Pannell, AARP
Angelique Martin, DHCF	Sherri Ellerbe, DACL
Anthony B. Mboh	Suprena Newman
April Grady	Synthia Johnson
B.E., Amazing Grace Supports, Inc.	Theresa Rodriguez, UHC
Barbara Herbst, DC resident & nutrition advocate	Tina DeLancey, NYA Health Services
Bari Stephens Parson	Tuesday Winslow
Lucy Ohiosikha, DHCF	

* Please note that due to technical difficulties, the first 30 minutes of the meeting were not captured.

In lieu of the missing portion, written minutes have been provided for that time frame (I - IV). The remainder of the meeting can be viewed via the recorded session ([click here](#)).

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Saleem Shah, the new MCAC Chair.

II. Welcome and Roll Call

Melisa Byrd, the Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director at the Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF), officially welcomed the newest members of the MCAC. ([refer to pages 5 of the presentation](#)).

III. DHCF Report Q&A

Melisa Byrd gave a concise overview of the previously distributed Waiver, SPA, and Rules Report ([refer to pages 6 of the presentation](#)). A recommendation was made to incorporate the report summary into the presentation.

IV. DHCF Updates and Discussion

Eugene Simms, Director of the Health Care Policy and Research Administration (HCPRA), presented an overview of DHCF's Simplified Renewal Process for Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS), which took effect on September 1, 2024 ([refer to pages 8 of the presentation](#)).