

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MEDICAL CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MCAC)

MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, July 25, 2012

Attendance

Sharon Baskerville, DCPCA, MCAC Chair	Dr. Linda Elam, DHCF
Howard Liebers, DCPCA	Laura Nuss, DDS
Kate Kairys, DC Action for Children	Barbara Bazron, DMH
Tim Sullivan, UHC	Colleen Sonosky, DHCF
Ginni Sasnett, St. John's	Ann Page, DHCF
Thelma Green, Self Advocate	Lovie Davis, DHCF
Nathan Yohannes, LTC	Dianne Fields, DHCF
Jeremy Padow, TPM LLC	Benjamin Finder, DHCF
Sarah Guerrieri, CNMC	Claudia Schlosberg
Welton Hall, UHC	Maude Holt, DHCF
Sarah King, CLC	Ianta Summers, DHCF
Judith Levy, LTC	Heather McCabe, DMH
Yolandra Plummer, MTM	Cleveland Woodson, DHCF
Yoko Allen, HSCSN	David Cunningham, ESA
Tim Scarborough, Molina HealthCare, Inc	Natasha DeBose, DMH
Tina Campanella, Quality Trust	Bonnie Norton, DHCF
Chris DeYoung, GWU HICP	Rekha Ayalur, DHCF
Richard Flintrop, HFTC Collaborative Council	Ben Williams, DHCF
Yoko Allen, HSCSN	Melisa Byrd, DHCF
	John Sumner, DHCF
	Cavella Bishop, DHCF
	Lucy Wilson-Kear, DHCF

Sharon Baskerville, Chair, called the meeting to order. Dr. Linda Elam chaired the meeting. Minutes were passed out and introductions made. After introductions were made, minutes were approved. The enrollment report and SPA's and Waivers lists were also handed out. The committee also announced that there would be no August meeting.

Dr. Linda Elam provided the Director's report in the absence of Director Wayne Turnage

Director's Report

Enrollment Report

Benjamin Finder, Associate Director for the Division of Research & Rate Setting Analysis gave out the monthly enrollment report for the period of March 2011 through March 2012. Highlights were a

-3.5% annual growth for the EPD Waiver, 10.5% annual growth for SPA, 133 – 200 Waiver growth, and 17.9% HSCSN growth.

Alliance Recertifications

David Cunningham, Assistant Director of Operations for the Economic Security Administration reported that 2552 recertifications were sent out. 820 were approved that responded and 25 denied. There were 1707 potential terminations. Those terminated can contact the office to dispute the termination.

Alliance Hospital Restructuring

Claudia Schlosberg, Director for the Health Care Policy and Research Administration cleared up concerns with the Alliance Hospital Restructuring stating that there would be no change in benefit for receiving emergency services. The difference would be in payment from the Managed Care Organizations (MCOs). They will receive payment under emergency Medicaid. The change will also be seen in how the hospitals bill for their services. A handout was given that elaborates on the procedure.

MCO Update

Lovie Davis, Project Manager for the Division of Managed Care gave the update on the Managed Care Division. DHCF has planned to do site visits to the MCOs that will be completed by the end of FY12. A third MCO vendor has not been named but a readiness review has been scheduled. The package is being finalized by OCP and will go to Council by August 31st. They are working on the RFP for the full managed care program, effective 5/1/13. DHCF is collaborating with internal Divisions and sister-agencies to include quantifiable and as needed quantitative standards into the RFP, resulting in enhanced contract provisions. The goal is to ensure the vendors have programs that are acceptably meeting requirements and achieving optimal outcomes. Lisa Truitt is working as a co-lead with John Sumner in Policy to research and prepare detailed information on Alternatives to Managed Care. We will speak with other States to learn about their PCCM models and other methods of healthcare delivery. Analysis will be completed on financial impacts, personnel and infrastructure, policies as well as what has worked well in other States

SPA's/Waivers

Dianne Fields, Associate Director for the Division of Regulation and Policy Management, reviewed the specifics of the SPA/Waiver report. Her division is focusing on day treatment. Questions still remain on how will services be delivered and how will they be reimbursed.

Long Term Care

Ann Page, Director for the Health Care Delivery Management Administration gave her report on Long Term Care. Highlights were the ID/DD waiver has been submitted for renewal to CMS. There will be a new payment rate for intermediate care facilities for individuals with development

disabilities effective October 1, 2012. DHCF is working with DDS for new acuity levels. The EPD waiver fair that was held on 7/12/12 was very successful. DCHF is also working on regulations to implement the waiver. The Long Term Care support services contract has been pulled back for further review.

Health Reform Implementation

Bonnie Norton, Acting Director for the Health Care Reform and Innovation Administration, gave the report. The Exchange Board will be selecting an Executive Director and the required Advisory Board in the coming weeks. They are also moving forward with policy and administration. The first Executive Board meeting will be on July 23rd.

HIT/HIX

Bonnie Norton also gave this report. The procurement process is underway for a vendor to implement the Medicaid HER Incentive Program. The new RFP closed August 8. Sharon Baskerville expressed frustration that the original RFP fell through delaying the implementation. The DIRECT infrastructure is set up and enrollment will begin once a user agreement and policies and procedures are complete. The plan is for this to happen in October.

Health Care Ombudsman

Maude Holt, Director for the Health Care Ombudsman's office reported they were awarded a federal consumer Assistance Grant and Families USA was written into the grant. The annual report will hopefully be distributed next month. The Ombudsman's office continues to see growth with the volume of calls.

Subcommittees

Behavioral Health –

No report

Long Term Care –

Judith Levy, Chair, reported that home health-aid regulations were issued by Board of Nursing. The curriculum is not part of regulations that must be followed and will be included in in the curriculum for nurses.

New Business –

- Weekly call with Chartered Health
- DHCF launches new website
- Dr. Linda Elam elected to the Medicaid Leadership Institute