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Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

- The meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm.
- Roll call of committee members was taken. Members in attendance: Matur Alier, Judy Bahe, Tim Blasl, Dr. Joan Connell, Donene Feist, Trina Gress, Courtney Koebele, Nancy Kopp, Beth Larson Steckler, Senator Tim Mathern, Janelle Moos, Emma Quinn, Gayla Sherman, Shawn Stuhaug, Dr. Nizar Wehbi, Bobbie Will.
- A new committee member announcement was made. Shawn Stuhaug from Bethany Homes will replace Shelly Peterson on the committee.

Department of Human Services Updates

- An update was provided on the integration of the Department of Human Services and Department of Health.
- An update was provided on 1915i program – change to lower WHODAS eligibility score was effective January 1, 2022.

Discussion

- A presentation on various Medicaid training courses was provided BerryDunn.
- An update was provided by Faces of Medicaid subcommittee. Recruitment of members to be featured in the project is underway.
- An announcement was made regarding the re-start of the Codes/Services subcommittee. Members were asked to self-nominate if they are interested in serving on the subcommittee.
- An update was provided on the American Rescue Plan – temporary 10% increase to FMAP for certain Medicaid HCBS. North Dakota's plan has been provisionally approved by CMS, with quarterly progress reports required.
- An update was provided on the American Rescue Plan – option for states to extend Medicaid postpartum coverage from 60 days to 12 months. ND is moving forward with this option and expects it to be effective January 1, 2023.

Medical Services Division Updates

- An update was provided on the value-based payment model for PPS health systems.
- An update was provided on the Public Health Emergency (PHE) unwinding.
- An update was provided on Medicaid Expansion network providers.
- Operational Updates
 - A reminder was given about the new timely filing policy. Effective January 1, 2022, providers have 180 days from the date of service to submit claims without Medicare or third-party liability.
- An update was provided on upcoming State Plan Amendments.

Education topic

- Information was shared regarding third-party liability.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:56 pm.