

MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 23, 2008 (12:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

Oregon State Library Room 103

Salem, Oregon

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Robert Bach; Ella Booth, MBA, PhD; Carole Romm, RN; Jim Russell, MSW; Mike Shirtcliff, DMD, Thomas Turek, MD

PHONE PARTICIPANTS: Ellen Gradison

PRESENTERS: Claudia Black, Jon Pelkey, Jeanny Phillips, David Oaks (via phone)

STAFF: Heidi Allen; Melissa Lawhorn, Nathan Hierlmaier, Shawna Kennedy-Walters

VISITORS: Kelly Harms, Devon O'Brien, Andy Funt,

TOPIC	Key Discussion Points	Action	Responsible Party	Due Date
Opening Remarks	Minutes are presented in a new format. Motion to approve the change.	New format approved.	Co-chairs	
Approval of Minutes	Jeanene Smith attended the June MAC meeting. It was noted that she was not listed in attendance on the minutes. The minutes will be amended to reflect Jeanene as staff to the MAC on June 25 th .	June 25 th minutes approved as amended.	MAC members	
MaxEnroll Grant	Heidi Allen informed the MAC that the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation will issue a \$1 million grant to 8 states to assist in maximizing the coverage of children who are eligible but not enrolled in Medicaid and SCHIP programs. It requires that a state agency to be the grantee and the Governor will decide which agency will take the lead. The intent is to have different state agencies work in partnership to find ways to get kids enrolled. The Office for Oregon Health Policy & Research (OHPR) will work in conjunction with CAF, FHIAP & DMAP to	The member voted to support this grant.	MAC Members	

	prepare a grant proposal and look at some broad areas Oregon could look at to improve enrollment. MAC will provide one of the ten letters of support allowed for OHP's grant involvement.			
Healthy Kids	<p>Claudia Black, Health and Human Services Policy Advisor, updated the MAC on the Healthy Kids Plan. The Governor's Healthy Kids Plan gives all Oregon children under the age of 19 an opportunity to enroll in comprehensive, affordable health insurance coverage. She reports that much of the work done by the MAC has been incorporated in the 2009 session. They have asked the Oregon Health Fund Board to look at the Tobacco Tax and other funding sources that may be more sustainable. A recommendation is expected to be made in the next month. They are hoping for the MAC to endorse this process. There were a few issues on wording. The MAC recommended that the Governor's Office consider replacing the word 'subsidies' with 'contributions'. There was also some concern around the phrase 'Finders Fee'. Although this has been proven as an effective strategy, the phrase 'Finders Fee' seems to carry a negative connotation.</p>	Members present received a handout.	MAC members	
Oral Care	<p>Jon Pelkey, DMAP Medical Section Manager, presented information on OHP Dental Services. Jon provided a handout detailing a proposed policy regarding dentist to patient ratios. The purpose of this policy is to provide a means for PHP Coordinators to determine if DCO's have</p>	Members present received a handout.	Staff, Co-chairs and MAC	

	<p>sufficient provider capacity in their contracted service areas. A Policy Option Package proposal involving an in-house Dental Director was discussed. Currently DMAP has a Medicaid Medical Director, and no Dental Director. This person would be shared part-time with public health. The advantage of staffing this position encourages collaboration between public health and DMAP, and would provide the department with the dental expertise that it is lacking. A draft document detailing proposed administrative rule changes was also presented.</p> <p>Jon cautioned any comparison between the data for individual plans due to the fact that a plan may face specific challenges depending on if they are rural or urban. They have tried very hard to keep the data transparent.</p> <p>Concern was raised regarding the ability to understand what the data meant, how to determine the challenges that a plan may face, and if more user friendly information was available.</p>			
<p>OHP Standard Enrollment</p>	<p>Jeanny Phillips, DMAP Deputy Administrator, presented the MAC with the completed OHP Standard Reservation List Application Progress Report. The report covers statistics on the reservation list as a whole plus information on the random selection process and why it was chosen. The report contains information on the background, selection and application process, monthly selections, and cumulative results. The report will eventually be monthly due to advocacy</p>	<p>Members received an OHP report handout.</p>	<p>Staff, Co-chairs and MAC</p>	

	<p>groups requesting the information and the need for up-to-date statistics. The number of letters sent out in August and September will double from 3,000 to 6,000 to increase the number of those eligible and will return to 3,000 in October, the last month. From March through May- 7,100 applications were received, which is a 66% return rate, and 3,300 have been approved. The report is not currently on the web, but Jeanny stated that she will make sure that it is available online.</p>			
<p>Health Record Bank</p>	<p>Jeanny Phillips spoke to the MAC about an opportunity states had to apply for a Medicaid Transformation Grant about 1½ years ago in which Oregon put in a couple of proposals that were not accepted. There was a second round of application proposals accepted and two were submitted: the first relating to a medical home model and the second related to developing a health records bank. CMS chose the health records bank proposal and gave \$5.5 million to develop health records using a bank where records would be stored and accessed by clients and providers. This provides a mechanism for emergency rooms to access records and will make information available through one platform. Issues that will need to be addressed would be who owns the data and privacy. HIIAC would look at the issues to build the framework for the health records bank and their recommendations should be made to the OHFB around August. The grant is an 18-month grant but could get a 12-month extension until</p>	<p>Members present received a handout.</p>	<p>Staff, Co-chairs and MAC</p>	

	March 2010.			
MAC Agenda Planning	Nate Hierlmaier, MAC staff member, created a list of health topics from the previous MAC meeting of what MAC members wanted to approach. The list would need to be categorized to sort high-detail projects from administrative projects that need to be addressed in multiple meetings over time. The main issues would be oral health, access, mental health, and multiple issues within delivery system. The recommendations of the OHFB's Delivery System Committee will be looked at to see which can be used in terms of Medicaid or which are being used for pilot programs or waivers in other states. The committee decided to start with the topics of oral health and performance measures.	Members present received a handout. MAC supports giving priority to oral health and performance measures.	Staff, Co-chairs and MAC	
Public comment	David Oaks, Mind Freedom International, spoke via phone regarding mental disability and Medicaid funding. There is a need to increase access to Oregon's Medicaid funding for non-drug and peer-run alternatives in the mental health system. The OCSC (Oregon Consumer Survivor Coalition) is composed of about 15 mental health consumer and psychiatric survivor groups. The group's delegate met with the Governor, and an Office of Mental Health Consumer Affairs will be funded. His request is that mental health consumer and psychiatric survivors are topics to be put on a future MAC agenda. Mind Freedom International's website is www.mindfreedom.org .		Staff, Co-chairs and MAC	

Next MAC meeting:

Wednesday September 24, 2008

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Human Services Building, 137 A/B

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