



Medicaid Advisory Committee

Agenda and Notes

Meeting Logistics

MEETING INFORMATION

- Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2023
- Meeting cancelled because key members were unable to attend.
 - This agenda and notes document is intended to share information that would have been discussed during the regularly scheduled meeting and to update Members regarding recent guidance from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS). All agenda items will be discussed in more detail during the September 13, 2023 meeting.

MEMBERS

Almira Mackaben (Idaho Medicaid), Angela Lindig (IPUL), Chynna Hirasaki (Caldwell SD), David Bell (Division of Medicaid), Holly Tanner (Bear Lake SD), Jared Bissen (Gem Prep Charter Schools), Julie Mead (SDE), Karren Streagle (SDE), Kim Shaner (West Bonner SD), Lorena Ryan (Glenns Ferry SD), Lori Stiles (Division of Management Services), Michael Case (Division of Medicaid), Shannon Richards (Moscow SD), Tara Handy (Rolling Hills Public Charter School), Yvonne Thurber (Bonneville SD)

Agenda Items

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Minutes from March 8, 2023 will be reviewed and approved at the September 13, 2023 meeting.

FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

- None

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- Legislative Updates:
 - State Department of Education: None at this time.
 - Division of Medicaid: None at this time



- Medicaid Program Integrity Unit (MPIU) Updates: [Email Karren Streagle to request handout](#)
- Clarifications Update: [Email Karren Streagle to request handout](#)

NEW AGENDA ITEMS

- [Assistance to States for the Education of Children with Disabilities](#): from the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education. Notice of proposed rulemaking.
 - “SUMMARY: The Secretary proposes to amend regulations under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Part B of IDEA or the Act) that govern the Assistance to States for the Education of Children with Disabilities program, including the Preschool Grants program. Specifically, the **Secretary proposes to amend the IDEA Part B regulations to remove the requirement for public agencies to obtain parental consent prior to accessing for the first time a child's public benefits or insurance (e.g., Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)) to provide or pay for required IDEA Part B services.** [emphasis added] As there are no comparable consent requirements prior to accessing public benefits for children without disabilities, the removal of this consent requirement would align public benefits consent requirements for children with disabilities to those for children without disabilities and ensure equal treatment of both groups of children.”
 - This notice of proposed rulemaking does not affect Idaho Medicaid School-Based Services at this time. We will discuss this issue in more detail during the September 13, 2023 meeting.
- [Biden-Harris Administration Takes Action to Help Schools Deliver Critical Health Care Services to Millions of Students](#): This announcement regarding proposed federal rules does not affect Idaho Medicaid School-Based Services at this time. We will discuss this issue in more detail during the September 13, 2023 meeting.
- [Delivering Services in School-Based Settings: A Comprehensive Guide to Medicaid Services and Administrative Claiming](#): The three quotes from this CMS guidance document state its purpose. They also illustrate that this guidance does not affect Idaho Medicaid School-Based Services at this time. The Department of Health and Welfare will review this guidance document in depth. We will discuss this guidance document in more detail during the September 13, 2023 meeting.
 - “This guide seeks to provide direction to State Medicaid/CHIP agencies and LEAs to deliver SBS in a manner that allows LEAs to obtain all the payments for which they can qualify, to then increase access to covered services for enrolled students. This guide also offers possible financially sustainable solutions for State Medicaid/CHIP agencies and LEAs, while acknowledging that behavioral health (mental health and SUD) services, and other medical conditions can be complex and may also require community-based resources outside of schools for effective treatment” (p. 6).
 - “How a State Medicaid/CHIP agency decides to structure SBS billing can depend on the structure of a locality’s school system and the capacity for schools to furnish and bill for services” (p. 5).
 - “While schools are the setting for and can be providers of Medicaid and CHIP-covered services, the State Medicaid/CHIP agency has the leading role in determining which services are covered by Medicaid and CHIP when furnished in or by schools and how school-based providers are



paid. These decisions may be made in consultation with LEAs and SEAs, but ultimately it is the State Medicaid/CHIP agency's responsibility to determine how Medicaid and CHIP-covered SBS is implemented in each State" (p. 6).

- Travel Reimbursements Ending
 - Over the past few years, we have had great success with out-of-town members participating in MAC meetings virtually. Therefore, the State Department of Education will no longer reimburse travel expenses for members who need to travel more than 50 miles to attend meetings in person. The expectation is that out-of-town members can successfully participate in MAC meetings virtually. If you have any questions, please [email Karren Streagle](#).
- **Medicaid School-Based Services Reference Guide:** Almira and Karren will be updating the Reference Guide this summer. We hope members can review sections of it in mid- to late July, in time for publication in August. If you are **not** available to help with the review, please [email Karren Streagle](#).
- 2023 NAME Conference: October 23 – 26 in Dallas, TX
 - [2023 NAME Conference Information and Registration](#)
 - Our own Michael Case, Program Bureau Chief with the Department of Health and Welfare, is President of NAME.
 - State Department of Education staff cannot participate in this year's conference because the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) is scheduled to conduct their on-site monitoring visit that week.

RECOGNITION

- We would like to thank three outgoing MAC members for their service. Certificates of appreciation will be mailed to each member.
 - Chynna Hirasaki, Caldwell School District, Region 3
 - Holly Tanner, Bear Lake School District, Region 5
 - Tara Handy, Rolling Hills Public Charter School, traditional charter schools

OPEN COMMENTS

- N/A

REMINDERS

- Medicaid Advisory Committee 2023-24 meeting dates
 - September 13, 2023: 1:00 – 3:00 PM MT
 - December 13, 2023: 1:00 – 3:00 PM MT
 - March 13, 2024: 1:00 – 3:00 PM MT
 - June 12, 2024: 1:00 – 3:00 PM MT