



MEETING MINUTES

May 4, 2018
10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Location:

Department of Medical Assistance Services
600 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
7D Conference Room

The following CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee members were present:

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| • Denise Daly Konrad | Chair of CHIPAC |
| • Michele Chesser | Vice Chair of CHIPAC |
| • Amy Edwards | Membership Subcommittee Chair |
| • Ashley Everette | Member at Large |
| • Sherry Sinkler-Crawley | Member at Large |

The following DMAS staff members were present:

- Rebecca Anderson, Public Policy Manager, Policy and Innovation Division
- Hope Richardson, Policy Analyst, Policy and Innovation Division

Minutes

Denise Daly Konrad, Chair of CHIPAC, called the meeting to order at 10:12 AM.

I. CHIPAC Business

A. Review and approval of minutes from previous Executive Subcommittee meeting. Executive Subcommittee members reviewed the meeting minutes from the previous Executive Subcommittee meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2018 Executive Subcommittee meeting, and the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

B. Membership Subcommittee Update. Amy Edwards, CHIPAC Membership Chair, provided the membership update. The group reviewed current members' term dates. Edwards reported that the following CHIPAC members have agreed to renew their terms, which end in June:

- (1) Michele Chesser, Joint Commission on Health Care
- (2) Karen Rheuban, DMAS Board Member
- (3) Jennifer Wicker, Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association

Denise Daly Konrad and Amy Edwards will also both renew their terms that end in June.

Hope Richardson, DMAS, reported that March of Dimes has been contacted to gauge their interest and capacity to continue on CHIPAC. Richardson reported that the CHIPAC bylaws do not stipulate a minimum number of CHIPAC members, aside from the six mandated agency/organizational members. The bylaws set a maximum of 20 members. There are currently a total of 20 members, including March of Dimes. The subcommittee decided to revisit the membership discussion at the August executive subcommittee meeting once March of Dimes has made a decision.

- C. Dashboard discussion.** The group discussed the CHIPAC Dashboard, including items raised at the March full committee meeting.
- (1) The group discussed a question that arose regarding developmental screenings data – Daly Konrad will follow up with the individual member and find out if there is a specific data request that DMAS can consider.
 - (2) Members expressed an ongoing interest in data regarding pregnant women and children/youth receiving the ARTS (Addiction and Recovery Treatment Services) benefit. The possibility was raised of having DMAS staff with knowledge of the program give an annual presentation for CHIPAC. Richardson and Rebecca Anderson (DMAS) will discuss ARTS data with DMAS staff to find out what is being tracked/available to be shared with CHIPAC.
 - (3) The group discussed concerns raised at the March CHIPAC meeting regarding causes of denied applications. Daly Konrad asked whether, in the future, there may be opportunities through the work of the Eligibility Performance Management workgroup to answer some of these types of questions. Sherry Sinkler-Crawley responded that this might be possible.
 - (4) The group discussed a question raised at the March CHIPAC meeting regarding comparison of growth in this year's open enrollment period for the Marketplace with that of last year's open enrollment period. Richardson responded that she would look into whether this data was available to be reported at a future CHIPAC meeting.
 - (5) Michele Chesser expressed the importance of including the previous month/quarter's numbers for comparison when possible to determine a trend.
 - (6) The group discussed the possibility of evolving the dashboard to be more relevant to changing priorities of the Committee, possibly surveying CHIPAC to update the goals and align the dashboard metrics with those goals.
 - (7) The group discussed the DSS Applications Processing section of the Dashboard. Sinkler-Crawley expressed that this data is not presented in an easily understandable way and may be too detailed. Sinkler-Crawley agreed to discuss this appropriate data specialists and others at DSS.

(8) Richardson stated that she will circulate the CHIPAC Dashboard in advance of the upcoming full committee meeting (approx. 2+ weeks prior) with DMAS data only, and will follow up with Sinkler-Crawley shortly after that to insert the updated DSS dashboard for the hard copy dashboard that is distributed at the meeting.

- D. "Public charge" rule and access to care.** Shelby Gonzales (Center on Budget and Policy Priorities), CHIPAC member, has requested an agenda item for the June meeting. She asks if CHIPAC can discuss implications for medical assistance enrollees, and potential enrollees, of a possible broadened interpretation of "public charge" in immigration status determinations. Daly Konrad stated that she would follow up with Gonzales in order to solicit additional detail on the topic and assess her (Gonzales') willingness to facilitate the discussion.
- E. Mental Health Indicators Progress Report.** Hope Richardson informed the group that DMAS Policy staff are continuing to work with the Office of Data Analytics to gather the data requested by the Mental Health dashboard subcommittee.
- F. Review calendar of regular annual CHIPAC agenda items.** Richardson circulated a list of regularly occurring CHIPAC events throughout the calendar year. The group discussed these items: An annual FOIA training has occurred regularly in June in the past, but did not occur last year and is not scheduled for the June 2018 meeting. Richardson stated that she will add this to the agenda for discussion at the August Executive Subcommittee meeting. In addition, the group's annual discussion of the meeting schedule for the following year takes place at the August Executive Subcommittee meeting.

II. DMAS Updates

Hope Richardson delivered an update from DMAS. She reported that DMAS' new Chief Deputy Director is Karen Kimsey, who was previously the Deputy Director for Complex Care Services. Kimsey succeeds Linda Nablo, who recently retired. Anderson announced that Dr. Ellen Montz has joined DMAS as the new Chief Health Economist for the Division of Health Economics and Economic Policy, reporting to DMAS Director Dr. Jennifer Lee. In addition, the Office of Data Analytics will become part of the Health Economics and Economic Policy Division.

Richardson stated that DMAS has organized cross-divisional teams that are at work doing pre-planning for the possibility of Medicaid Expansion being included in the General Assembly's forthcoming budget. The House budget has a coverage date of January 1, 2019, so the timeline would be very compressed and advance planning is critical. Richardson announced that the Medallion 4.0 procurement process is complete. The six plans for CCC+ (Aetna, Anthem HealthKeepers Plus, Magellan, Optima Family Care, United Healthcare, and Virginia Premier) will be the statewide managed care partners for Medallion 4.0, providing care for close to 750,000 eligible enrollees. The implementation schedule begins August 1 and will be completed by the end of the year. Richardson updated the group on the recent one-year anniversary of

the ARTS (Addiction and Recovery Treatment Services) benefit. The event provided an opportunity to highlight the potential for a Virginia Medicaid expansion to help combat the opioid epidemic by connecting more individuals in need with effective and consistent medical treatment of opioid use disorder. Richardson reported that total enrollment was up by 0.5% as of May 1. Among FAMIS categories, the child population grew by 0.5% while the FAMIS Moms population remained approximately the same as last month.

III. Agenda items for the June 7 Full Committee Meeting

The committee settled on the following draft agenda for the June 7 meeting:

1) CHIPAC Business

a. Dashboard review

b. HEDIS measures discussion – Tanya Williams, Health Care Services, DMAS

c. Federal policy update: “Public charge” and access to care – Shelby Gonzales, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

2) Virginia Legislative Update – Jill Hanken, Virginia Poverty Law Center

3) Discussion of Medicaid Expansion’s Potential Impact on Agencies – DMAS and DSS staff

4) DMAS Update – DMAS staff

a. Medallion 4.0 update – Dan Plain, Health Care Services, DMAS

5) DSS Update and Initiatives – Sherry Sinkler-Crawley, DSS

IV. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM