

BOARD OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES (BMAS) MEETING



Wednesday, November 15, 2017 10:00 a.m. BMAS Dashboard Subcommittee Meeting

Department of Medical Assistance Services Conference Room 7A/B 600 East Broad St. Richmond, VA 23219

AGENDA

Item	Presenter	Action
Call to Order	Karen S. Rheuban, M.D., Chair	
Appointing of Dashboard Subcommittee Chair	Dr. Rheuban	
Overview of Current Medicaid Dashboards Produced by Other States	Beth Ferrara Digital Communications Manager	
Future DMAS Data Warehouse and Visualizing Data	Bhaskar Mukherjee, Director Office of Data Analytics (ODA)	
	Rhonda Newsome, ODA Matt Harrison, ODA	
Discussion of Virginia/BMAS Medicaid Dashboard	Dashboard Subcommittee Chair	
What do we need?		
Recommendations to the Board meeting on December 12, 2017	Dashboard Subcommittee Chair	
Adjournment		



Meeting of the Dashboard Subcommittee of the Board of Medical Assistance Services 600 East Broad Street, Suite 1300 Richmond, Virginia

November 15, 2017 Minutes

Present:

Michael H. Cook, Esq. Patricia T. Cook, M.D. Rebecca E. Gwilt, Esq. Maureen Hollowell Peter R. Kongstvedt, M.D. Karen S. Rheuban, M.D. Chair

Absent:

Kannan Srinivasan

DMAS Staff:

Cynthia B. Jones, Director

Linda Nablo, Chief Deputy Director
Karen Kimsey, Deputy Director for Complex Services
Suzanne Gore, Deputy Director for Administration
Cheryl Roberts, Deputy Director for Programs
Elizabeth Guggenheim, Legal Counsel
Craig Markva, Manager, Office of Communications,
Legislation & Administration (OCLA)
Nancy Malczewski, Public Information Officer, Office of
Communications, Legislation & Administration
Mamie White, Public Relations Specialist, Office of
Communications, Legislation & Administration

Speakers:

Beth Ferrara, Digital Communications Manager Bhaskar Mukherjee, ODA Director Rhonda Newsome, ODA Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Harrison, ODA Data Researcher

Guests:

Alan Dickerson, DMAS Staff Stephanie Papps, DMAS Senior Advisor, Finance Lacy Heiberger, DMAS Senior Policy Advisor

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Karen S. Rheuban called the BMAS Dashboard Subcommittee meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and welcomed the members and others in attendance. Then, Dr. Rheuban asked other members and staff to introduce themselves.

Dr. Rheuban inquired about the status of a letter requested to be sent to Governor-elect Northam to congratulate him for his election victory, and to voice BMAS support for Medicaid expansion. The Board Secretary provided a copy of the letter for Dr. Rheuban and Dr. Kongstvedt's signature.

Dr. Rheuban appointed Dr. Peter Kongstvedt to chair the Dashboard Subcommittee and turned the meeting over to him and the meeting continued.

OVERVIEW OF CURRENT MEDICAID DASHBOARDS PRODUCED BY OTHER STATES

Ms. Beth Ferrara, DMAS Digital Communications Manager, provided a brief overview of the current Medicaid dashboards produced by other states. She explained the dashboards that states are providing typically fall in one of two categories: 1. static infographics or 2. automated interactive dashboards. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has offered guidance to states on building interactive dashboards. This approach takes thorough planning and a cross functional team. (see attached handout).

FUTURE DMAS DATA WAREHOUSE AND VISUALIZING DATA

Ms. Bhaskar Mukherjee, Director of the Office of Data Analytics (ODA), provided a demonstration and data warehouse update expanding on background information provided at a previous Board meeting. A health services and innovation company, Optum, was awarded the data warehouse contract on October 23, 2017. (see attached handout).

Ms. Rhonda Newsome, Mr. Matthew Harrison and Mr. Mukherjee provided additional 'live' and concrete examples of an array of different types of information already available and shared examples of existing dashboards in an effort to share information which could possibly be helpful in the Subcommittee's consideration for the development of an agency/BMAS dashboard.

DMAS DASHBOARD DISCUSSION

Dr. Kongstvedt provided introductory remarks to open the discussion of the dashboard. After ODA staff and DMAS staff shared a broad amount of information to stimulate discussion and inform members of key statistics already available at the agency, Dashboard subcommittee members were asked to share their thoughts on what Board members would want to focus on in developing an agency/BMAS dashboard.

The discussion ended with Dr. Rheuban requesting members to send their comments regarding the dashboard to the Board Secretary for compilation and presentation of their findings at the next BMAS meeting on December 12, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Kongstvedt adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.





SURVEY OF STATE MEDICAID DASHBOARDS

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Two Main Categories of Dashboards

States graphically display their data & statistics generally in one of two ways:

- □ Infographics: Manually created on a defined basis (e.g. monthly, quarterly etc.). These are typically links to a PDF or an image inserted into a web page.
- □ Interactive Dashboards: Use state health, claims, & other data sources to create regularly refreshed, dynamic, & customizable dashboards.

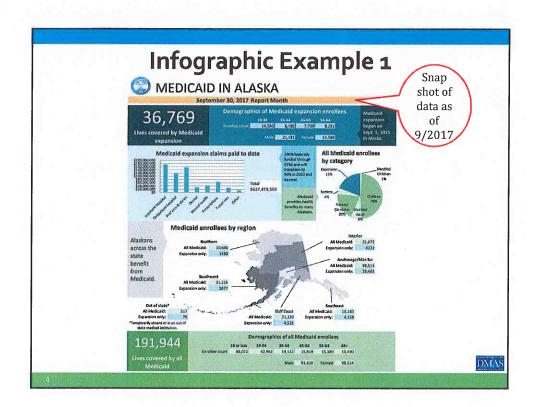
Infographic Pros & Cons

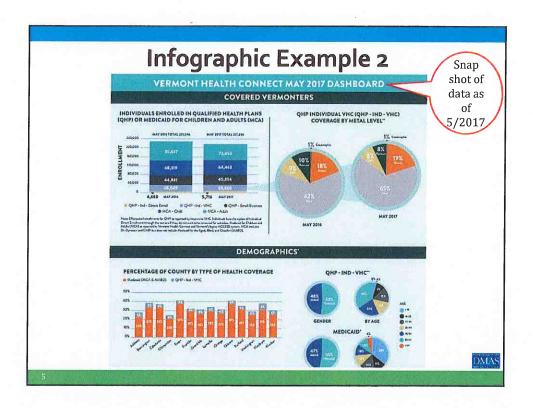
The Good:

- Free or inexpensive tools can be used to manually create on a regular basis
- Simple to add or update on the website via links to PDFs or inserted images

The Not So Good:

- Not customizable: one size fits all
- Snap shot at that time: data doesn't aggregate
- Can be work intensive on a regular basis
- Getting correct data can be cumbersome
- Infographic updates are reliant on resource availability





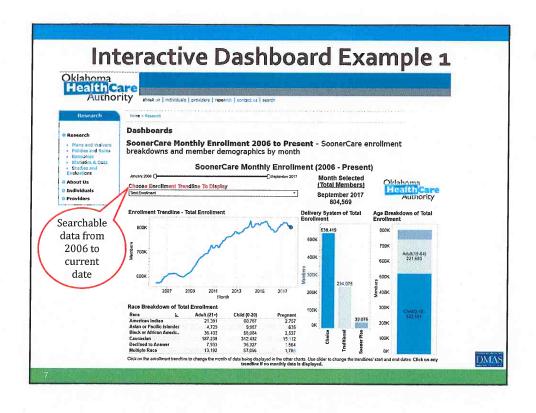
Interactive Dashboard Pros & Cons

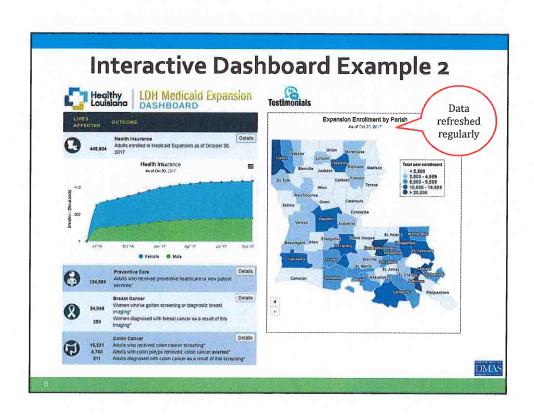
The Good:

- Customizable so users can filter data to fit their needs
- Regularly refreshes and aggregates data using automation from a data source(s)

The Not So Good:

- Sizable effort with significant costs (CMS offers states assistance under the Medicaid Innovation Accelerator Program)
- Requires a diverse team: SMEs, Data Analysts, Project Managers, IT, external partners, testers etc.
- Data sources must be clean, accurate, & complete





Other Resources

- CMS: So, You Want to Build a Dashboard?
 Webinar: https://www.medicaid.gov/state-resource-center/innovation-accelerator-program/iap-downloads/functional-areas/dashboard-webinar.pdf
- Alaska: http://dhss.alaska.gov/HealthyAlaska/Pages/dashboard.aspx
- Louisiana: <u>http://www.ldh.la.gov/HealthyLaDashboard/</u>
- Oklahoma: http://www.okhca.org/research.aspx?id=17483

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Other Resources Cont'd

- Maryland: <u>http://dls.maryland.gov/data/?ClassificationId=NoPblTabDashbrd&SubClassificationId=NoPblTabDashbrd%7CHHS&TitlePhrase=</u>
- North Carolina: <u>https://dma.ncdhhs.gov/dashboards#enroll</u>
- South Dakota: http://dss.sd.gov/healthhome/dashboard.aspx
- Vermont http://info.healthconnect.vermont.gov/sites/hce xchange/files/Coverage%20Dashboard-May2017.pdf





VIRGINIA MEDICAID DATA ANALYTICS DEMO AND DATA WAREHOUSE UPDATE

Matthew Harrison Rhonda Newsome Bhaskar Mukherjee

