

**Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC)
Provider Payments Cost-Containment Subcommittee**

Date: March 29, 2016 Time: 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. Place: NM Hospital Association, Albuquerque, NM

Chair: Joie Glenn, NM Association for Home & Hospice Care

Recorder: Shawna Crist-Ruiz, HSD/MAD

Subcommittee Members Present:

Linda Sechovec, NM Health Care Association
David Roddy, NM Primary Care Association
Randy Marshall, NM Medical Society (proxy for Laurence Shandler)
Ginna Hendricks, Santa Fe Dentistry for Kids (proxy for Kris Hendricks)
Steve McKernan, UNM Hospital
Carolyn Montoya, UNM School of Nursing
Troy Greer, NM Hospital Association (proxy for Jeff Dye)

Subject Matter Experts: Jordan Erp, Presbyterian
Shawn Ricketts, Heritage Home Health
Dan Weaks, NM Hospital Association (via telephone)

Subcommittee Members Not Present:

Laurence Shandler, MD, Pediatrician (proxy appointed)
Floyd Thompson, Indian Health Service
Jeff Dye, NM Hospital Association (proxy appointed)
Donna Garcia, Presbyterian Delivery System
Carol Luna-Anderson, the Life Link

Staff and Visitors Attending:

Nancy Smith-Leslie, HSD/MAD
Kari Armijo, HSD/MAD
Karen Meador, HSD/BHSD
Jenny Felmley, LFC
Charles Sallee, LFC

DISCUSSION ITEM	OUTCOME	FOLLOW-UP ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PERSON/ DEPARTMENT	EXPECTED OR REQUIRED COMPLETION DATE
I. Introductions	Joie Glenn welcomed subcommittee members and introductions were made.	None	Joie Glenn	Complete

II. Approval of Minutes	The minutes from previous meeting have yet to be approved by the committee.	They will be sent out via email for member approval	Kristin Abdill	April 2016
III. Discuss subcommittee recommendations for Phase 1 deliverable	<p>Joie Glenn reminded the subcommittee members that it was decided by majority of the subcommittee members that meetings would not be open to the public in Phase 1 due to limited time to arrive at consensus of recommendations.</p> <p>Joie Glenn informed the subcommittee that each member would receive about two minutes to provide recommendations followed by 5-10 minutes for group discussion.</p> <p>The subcommittee members reviewed their individual recommendations. Linda Sechovec, Randy Marshall, Dan Weak, Ginna Hendricks, Jordan Erp, and Joie Glenn presented documents for the subcommittee's consideration.</p> <p>There was discussion about specific issues contained in the recommendations that were presented, specifically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was discussion about whether the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) would allow a percentage reduction to the enhanced PCP rate, rather than eliminating it completely. • There was concern that dental reimbursement is already very low compared to neighboring states. • There was discussion about whether all providers should share in rate reductions, or whether certain provider types should be exempt. Provider types discussed for exemption included, dentists, personal care providers and nursing facilities. • There was discussion about how costs should be reduced through better utilization management by the Department. It was clarified that benefit utilization will be a topic to be addressed by the MAC Benefits Subcommittee. 	None	Subcommittee	Complete
IV. Open discussion	Ongoing discussion about recommendations included the following topics:	None	Subcommittee	Complete

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The potential impact of bringing rates down to a percentage of Medicare and which providers would be affected. • The potential impact of rate reductions on ER use. • Strategies used by other states (namely Louisiana) to leverage private donations as the state general fund share for Medicaid administrative costs. • The impact of new federal regulations on pharmacy costs. • The potential impact of rate reductions on pediatric practices, in particular for access and quality (i.e., shorter appointment times). • The concern that New Mexico is sending patients out-of-state for care that could be delivered in-state. • The need for recipient cost-sharing to help control utilization. • The need for better care coordination when recipients are seen in the ER. • The need to preserve obstetrical care and preventive services. • The concern about increased volume/growth in Community Benefit services and associated costs. <p>There were no conclusive recommendations made at the meeting. Steve McKernan indicated that the hospitals could agree to a 3% reduction.</p>			
VI. Closing remarks and adjournment	The next meeting will be in Santa Fe at HSD/MAD North Conference room on April 5, 2016. It will be the final meeting of the subcommittee in Phase 1. Recommendations are due to the Department by April 8, 2016.	None	Joie Glenn, Chair	Complete

Respectfully submitted:

Recorder: Shawna Crist-Ruiz 4/20/16