



### Executive Council Committee Minutes May 14, 2015

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#### Introduction:

The Medical Assistance Advisory Council (MAAC) Executive Committee convened in the conference room at the Hoover State Office Building on May 15, 2015 at 3:05p.m. Julie Lovelady opened the meeting and Brenda Dobson called the Executive Council roll.

#### New Medicaid Director Appointed Announcement:

Julie Lovelady announces the new Medicaid director, Mikki Stier, and her start date of May 27th. We are excited to have her on board and as a new member of our team. Director Palmer was unable to attend the meeting today and sends his apologies.

#### Executive Committee Elections: (Lindsay Buechel)

LB suggests comments be made for the role of the meeting and meeting frequency within the next coming months during the transition along with Executive Committee elections. Last elections were held in April of 2013 so we will be doing elections again at the next up and coming MAAC meeting on May 28th, 2015.

#### NEMT / Iowa Health and Wellness Plan Updates (Lindsay Buechel)

- **NEMT**

LB: [Hands out copy of proposed amendment for NEMT] and provides brief history and an overview of the current status of the NEMT arrangement. She informs the committee regarding result of recent survey on member use of the service and an extension of the NEMT until December 2016. Julie Lovelady informs that the result of the survey can be found on the DHS website. LB tells committee of plans to post all relevant documents on

the DHS website. A short discussion ensued regarding ensuring access to transportation for specific population groups that may have difficulty accessing the service.

- **Health Behaviors Program**

LB gives an overview of the expansion of Healthy Behaviors within the context of Wellness Exams as including both Physical Exams and Dental Exams. Subsequent discussion focused on details of Wellness exam statistics and having a shorter documentation made available to the committee.

**Medicaid Modernization Updates** (Liz Matney and Julie Lovelady)

LM provides a recap of the current status of the RFP and the amendments that have been made. She also reviewed the relevant dates involving the RFP and the amendments. LM details some of the key amendments including those involving the SIM grant. Bon Schlueter (BS) provides insight on Value-Based Purchasing and the MCOs for driving down cost of care while improving health outcomes. Subsequent discussion pivots to the State Innovation Model (SIM) and its role in the managed care transition. BS lends his thoughts on implications of timing with regard the RFP for Medicaid Modernization and the SIM grant award. Jennifer Steenblock reminds the group that we have a fair number of state plan amendments to submit and that the aim is to have them all out for public comment/review by early July, Weekly CMS meetings are held to ensure there are no snags. JS informs the group that there are now weekly operational meetings to ensure problems are identified early. Credentialing issue with MCOs was raised but LM states that it's difficult to have those discussions until the MCOs have been selected.

**SIM Update** (Bob Schlueter)

BS confirms excitement around Value-Based Purchasing (VBP). BS states, *"Value based purchasing of at least 40 percent of the metric system and having the MCOs rooted in this system gives us a tool for population health, and the ability to modify ability as we go through SIM and the PCP assignment"*. He provides deeper insight into how the SIM plays into the whole managed care transition.

**Adjourned: 4:25 PM**