



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES OCTOBER 28, 2015

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Introduction:

Roll call of EC in the room and on the phone.

IA Health Link Member Enrollment Process

Member Enrollment and Communications Timeline

Lindsay Buechel (LB) provides most recent update on status of member enrollment process and timeline indicating that mailings will happen in phases by population groups and completed by end of November. LB confirms that enrollment algorithm works for families to stay together but in the end, it's a member's choice. Gerd Clabaugh (GC) asked what types of information are available to members to make informed choice and LB outlines all the member-facing materials that have now been developed including the list of statewide face-to-face member education meetings, the comparison chart on value-added services offered through each MCO, and the new IA Health Link member-facing website. Group pose questions involving foster group homes and making choice for a child in a home, nursing home. Discussion also touched on the "caveats" of providing choice counseling to members and who can provide counseling and the degree of choice counseling given to members. LB states that the enrollment packets are to be used on ongoing basis and DHS approving MCO websites to go live as information sources for members.

Attribution Model and MCO Choice Process

Provider Information Release

LB confirms large email distributed yesterday about provider-facing information. All of the information posted on website and sent out through Medicaid Modernization (MM) email alerts. Jennifer Steenblock (JS) informs group that MCOs were interested in getting all this information pushed out to providers to continue through credentialing and contracting process. Mikki Stier (MS) states that at last MAAC EC meeting she confirmed that universal application form is part of this packet to assist providers. MS confirms that letter sent out to MCOs have granted them credentialing process – deemed status under our credentialing at this time to expedite the process – moving to one streamline for our providers – listening to need of proficiency deemed credentialing is a possibility and communication about that sent yesterday. Discussion reverts back to the universal application form and MCO required information.

Provider Rate Floor

Jeff Marston (JM) confirms that Info Letter was sent out yesterday regarding MCO provider rate baselines (what is a baseline and what is the fee schedule rate). Detailed discussion followed. MS offers to take that questions back and revisited later.

Provider MCO Agreements

LB states that there is approval of provider agreements. Will have to go directly to MCOs for this. It's more of a contract piece to defer to MCOs. JS explains that there is not just one contract with MCOs, there are a number of contracts. DR confirms multiple contracts being sent out to providers. JS states provider needs to work directly with MCOs. JC poses question - was there general changes from the draft contracts? Need to assess how much change. MS states she does not recall, but can go back and confirm.

Provider Universal Application

LB confirmed that the new universal application form is on our website. CB cautions that if already a Medicaid provider, don't fill out and send to all four MCOs unless already contracted with them. AC clarifies that the credentialing has to be done prior to end of this year. MS clarifies that if already credentialed with IME, don't have to go through credentialing. Process and MCOs recognize that. Providers received a letter letting them know that. Check with MCOs to see how they are communicating that to providers.

Provider MCO Manuals

LB informed the group that these have been posted on our website and can find all four manuals under the announcements on the website. Eventually these links redirect to the location of the manuals in the MCO's website but for right now are available on our site.

Provider Fact Sheet

LB explains that these provider-facing information are summarized and posted on the Medicaid Modernization website.

Other Topics and Comments

Individual provider issues were discussed, resolved, and subject for future follow up.

10:30 Adjourn

Upcoming Meeting Topics- As Requested by Committee Members

Managed Care Capitation Rate Explanation (November)

Coordination with SIM (November)