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Notice of meeting to solicit public comments and intent to act
Upon Amendments to the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM)

Public Hearing November 13, 2014

Minutes

Date and Time of Meeting: November 13, 2014 at 9:10 AM, after the conclusion of the State Plan Public Hearing

Name of Organization: State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP)

Place of Meeting: State of Nevada Health Division
4150 Technology Way, Room 303
Carson City, Nevada 89706

Place of Video Conference: The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP)
1210 S. Valley View Blvd. Suite 104
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

Attendees

In Carson City, NV

Kirk Gills, Renown Health
Lynne Foster, DHCFP
Jenni Bonk, DHCFP
Betsy Aiello, DHCFP
Tiffany Lewis, DHCFP
Rachel Marchetti, DHCFP
Blanca Lanzas, DHCFP
Darrell Faircloth, Senior DAG

Deborah Paul, DHCFP
Jeanette Belz, NPA
Dwight Hansen, NHA
Chris Ferrari, Ferrari Public Affairs
Mary Gordon, DHCFP
Janice Prentice, DHCFP
Tammy Moffitt, DHCFP

In Las Vegas, NV

Bonnie Daulton, DHCFP
Susan Sheld, DHCFP
Beverly Rowe, DHCFP

Introduction:

Ms. Tammy Moffitt, Chief of Program Integrity, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP), opened the Public Hearing introducing herself, Ms. Betsy Aiello, Deputy Administrator of the DHCFP and Mr. Darrell Faircloth, Senior Deputy Attorney General (DAG).

Ms. Moffitt – The notice for this public hearing was published on October 10, 2014 in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statute 422.2369.

1. Discussion and proposed adoption of changes to the Consent to Share Information Among Providers and Payers Form

Ms. Lynne Foster:

The District Offices request medical records from providers to assist in making decisions for such things as disability determinations and level of care. Medical providers may release information needed for treatment, payment or health care operations without authorization or permission from the patient under Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) regulations. Although the consent of the Medicaid recipient is not needed, providers often request a signed statement from the recipient be given prior to releasing the information.

The effective date is December 1, 2014.

At the conclusion of Ms. Foster's presentation, Ms. Moffitt asked Ms. Aiello, Deputy Administrator, and Mr. Faircloth, DAG, if they had any questions or comments.

Ms. Aiello's Comments:

- No Comments

Mr. Faircloth's Comments:

- No Comments

Public Comments:

- No Comments

Ms. Moffitt – Recommended the Deputy Administrator approve as submitted.

Ms. Aiello – Approved as submitted.

Ms. Moffitt – Closed the Public Hearing for the Consent to Share Information Among Providers and Payers Form

2. Discussion and proposed adoption of the revised Compliance Checklist for Civil Rights and Advance Directives - Public Non-Discrimination Notice Form

Ms. Lynne Foster:

This checklist is to be used by all Department of Health and Human Services agencies who may audit providers such as hospitals, nursing facilities, home health agencies and PCA providers for civil rights and advance directives compliance. Changes add a reference to the DHCFP and eliminate a requirement that is not part of the regulation.

Please note, the last line in the header that states Public Non-Discrimination was added erroneously and should be removed.

The effective date is December 1, 2014.

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Ms. Aiello's Comments:

- No Comments

Mr. Faircloth's Comments:

- No Comments

Public Comments:

- Ms. Susan Sheld, Health Care Coordinator II, asked why the verbiage AIDS/HIV remains in the hiring policy and not in the public notice.
- Ms. Foster responded the public notice does not require a reference to AIDS or AIDS related conditions, it's something that is highly recommended because it is a topic on which has the most discrimination, but it is not a requirement that it be in the notice itself. AIDS and AIDS related conditions remains a requirement to be specified in the hiring policy.

Ms. Moffitt – Recommended the Deputy Administrator approve as submitted.

Ms. Aiello – Approved as submitted with the change of removing Public Non-Discrimination Notice Form from the title.

Ms. Moffitt – Closed the Public Hearing for Compliance Checklist for Civil Rights Advance Directives - Public Non-Discrimination Notice Form.

3. Discussion and Proposed adoption of changes to MSM Chapter 3400-Telehealth Services

Ms. Jenni Bonk:

Revisions to Chapter 3400, Telehealth Services, are being proposed to remove geographic barriers from origination sites for telehealth services. Origination sites, or the location where an eligible Medicaid recipient is at the time service is being furnished via a telecommunications system, will include rural, suburban and urban locations. Facilities that qualify as originating sites continue to follow existing policy guidelines.

Throughout the chapter, grammar, punctuation, and capitalization changes were made, duplication removed, acronyms used and standardized, and language reworded for clarity.

The effective date is November 14, 2014.

At the conclusion of Ms. Bonk's presentation, Ms. Moffitt asked Ms. Aiello, Deputy Administrator, and Mr. Faircloth, DAG, if they had any questions or comments.

Ms. Aiello's Comments:

- No Comments

Mr. Faircloth's Comments:

- No Comments

Public Comments:

- No Comments

Ms. Moffitt – Recommended the Deputy Administrator approve as submitted

Ms. Aiello – Approved the Chapter with the changes as read into and reinsertion of the full clinical titles of the individuals in the chapter

Ms. Moffitt – Closed the Public Hearing for the changes to MSM Chapter 3400, Telehealth Services.

General Public Comments

- No Comments

4. Adjournment

There were no further comments and Ms. Moffitt adjourned the public hearing at 9:22 AM.

**An Audio (CD) version of this meeting is available through the DHCFP Administration office. For more detailed information on any of the handouts, submittals, testimony and or comments please contact Rita Mackie at rmackie@dhefp.nv.gov or you may call (775) 684-3681.*