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**Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
Notice of Meeting to Solicit Public Comments and Intent to Act
Upon Amendments to the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM)**

Public Hearing June 7, 2016

Minutes

Date and Time of Meeting: June 7, 2016 at 9:27am

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

Place of Meeting: Nevada State Legislative Building
401 S. Carson Street, Room 3137
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Place of Video Conference: Grant Sawyer Office Building
555 E. Washington Avenue, Room 4406
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Teleconference: (877) 402-9753

Access Code: 7316372

Attendees

In Carson City, NV

Lynne Foster, DHCFP	Darrell Faircloth, SDAG
Elizabeth Aiello, DHCFP	Brenda Staffan, REMSA
Chris Watanabe, REMSA	Joanne Jacob, Ferrari Public Affairs
Thomas McCrorey, HCGP/CMO	Bill Welch, NHA
Jeff Fontaine, NVNACO	Rebecca Vernon-Ritter, DHCFP
Tiffany Lewis, DHCFP	Debra Sisco, DHCFP
Sarah Spohn, DHCFP	Marti Cote, DHCFP

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Sheri Eggleston, DHCFP
Cindy Glass, DHCFP
Becky Pulver, DHCFP

Janet Osalvo, DHCFP
Staci Lonnegren, DHCFP

In Las Vegas, NV

Kristina Jones, HPN
Mina Nguyen, Public

Sara Cholhagian, TMSG

Introduction:

Ms. Lynne Foster, Chief of Division Compliance, 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 (SDAG).

Ms. Foster – The notice for this public hearing was published on May 4, 2016 in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statute 422.2369.

1. Public Comment

- No Comment

2. For Possible Action: Review and approve meeting minutes from the February 11, 2016 public hearing.

Ms. Foster asked if any staff members or public have any proposed corrections to the minutes for this public hearing and none were received.

Public Comments

- No Comments

Ms. Foster – Recommended the Deputy Administrator approve as written.

Ms. Aiello – Approved as written.

3. Discussion of proposed changes to Medicaid Service Manual Chapter 600 – Physician Services

Ms. Marti Cote:

Revisions to MSM Chapter 600, Physician Services are being proposed to add policy for Community Paramedicine Services.

Entities Financially Affected: Paramedicine providers

Financial Impact on Local Government: It is anticipated the overall impact will be budget neutral.

The effective date is July 1, 2016.

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

Ms. Aiello's Comments:

- No Comments

Mr. Faircloth's Comments:

- No Comments

Public Comments:

- No Comments

Ms. Foster: Recommended the Deputy Administrator approve as submitted with the following changes:

Section 604, remove the sentence "Prevention of unnecessary ambulance responses, emergency room visits, and hospital admissions and readmissions can result in cost reductions for the DHCFP."

Ms. Aiello – Approved as submitted with deletion.

Ms. Foster – Closed the Public Hearing for the MSM Chapter 600 – Physician Services.

4. Discussion of proposed changes to Medicaid Service Manual Chapter 1500 – Healthy Kids Program

Ms. Janet Osalvo:

Revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 1500 are being proposed to add language allowing separate billing for objective vision testing for amblyopia.

Entities Financially Affected: Provider Type 20 – Physician, M.D. and Osteopath, D.O., Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) and Physician's Assistant (PA).

The effective date is June 8, 2016.

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

Ms. Aiello's Comments:

- No Comments

Mr. Faircloth's Comments:

- No Comments

Public Comments:

- No Comments

Ms. Foster – Recommended the Administrator approve as submitted.

Ms. Aiello – Approved as submitted.

Ms. Foster – Closed the Public Hearing for the MSM Chapter 1500 – Healthy Kids Program

5. General Public Comments

- No comments

6. Adjournment

There were no further comments and Ms. Foster adjourned the public hearing at 9:38am.

**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 Ellen Felsing at Ellen.Felsing@dncfp.nv.gov or (775) 684-3684 with any questions.*