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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 State Plan for Medicaid Services**

**Public Hearing March 10, 2016
Minutes**

Date and Time of Meeting: March 10, 2016 at 9:00AM

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 Legislature Building
401 S. Carson Street Room 3138
Carson City, Nevada 89701

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

Teleconference: (877) 402-9753

Access Code: 7316372

Attendees

In Carson City, NV

Darrell Faircloth, SDAG	Lynne Foster, DHCFP
Elizabeth Aiello, DHCFP	Lisa Dettling, Nevada Health Centers
Ali Shahin, Nevada Health Centers	Elizabeth Duffrin, Nevada Health Centers
Jenni Bonk, DHCFP	Rochelle van der Poel, DHCFP
Adrienne Navarro, DHCFP	Lisa Dyer, DHCFP
Sheri Eggleston, DHCFP	Charles Duarte, Community Health Alliance
Jared Davies, DHCFP	Becky Ritter, DHCFP
Nancy Hook, NVPCA	Chris Ferrari, Ferrari Public Affairs
Kevin Quint, DPBH	Laura Garza, DCFS

In Las Vegas, NV

Alexis Tucey, DHCFP
Tamina McMillan, Nevada Health Centers
Darren Rahamon, Nevada Health Centers
Tyree Davis, Nevada Health Centers

Kim Riggs, DHCFP
Kristina Jones, HPN
Walter Davis, Nevada Health Centers

Teleconference

Barry Lovgren
Maria Shanika, Amerigroup

Tamera Pierce, Family Resources

Introduction:

Ms. Lynne Foster, Chief of Division Compliance, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP), opened the Public Hearing introducing herself, Ms. Elizabeth 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 February 5, 2016 in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statute 422.2369.

1. Public Comment:

- No Comments

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

Ms. Foster asked if any staff members 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 of the DHCFP approve as written.

Ms. Aiello – Approved as written.

3. Discussion of Amendments to the State Plan for Medicaid Services and Solicitation of Public Comments

Subject: Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) 3 Visits SPA

Ms. Tiffany Lewis

The DHCFP is proposing to change the State Plan to allow reimbursement to FQHC's for up to 3 separate encounters/visits per patient per day instead of the current restriction of only one reimbursable encounter/visit per patient per day.

The effective date is February 1, 2016.

At the conclusion of Ms. Lewis' presentation, Ms. Foster asked Ms. Aiello, 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:

- Dr. Walter Davis spoke in support of the SPA, indicating that it would add value for patients and facilitate timely access to care.
- Dr. Shahin supported Dr. Davis' comments. He provided a scenario where a patient could visit the mammovan followed by a same day clinic visit. He added that the SPA will facilitate care for patients with logistical and transportation challenges.
- Dr. McMillon expressed support of the two previous speakers, and added that, in particular, behavioral health assessments and referrals to appropriate care could reduce emergency room visits.
- Mr. Tyree Davis supported the previous comments and added an oral health example.
- Mr. Rahamon supported the previous comments and added that he would anticipate an increased quality of care as a result of this SPA.
- Ms. Hook supported the comments that preceded hers and stressed the importance of behavioral health screenings.
- Dr. Duarte supported the comments of those which preceded his. He added that often referrals for behavioral health visits don't get followed-up on, and that this SPA allowing multiple encounters can facilitate patients getting necessary care. He also indicated that it was routine for some providers to forgo payment for multiple visits in one day.

Ms. Foster – Closed the Public Hearing for the SPA on Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) 3 Visits SPA.

4. General Public Comments

- No Comments

There were no further comments and Ms. Foster adjourned the public hearing at 9:35AM.

For more detailed information on any of the handouts, submittals, testimony and or comments please contact Jenifer Hendrix at Jenifer.Hendrix@dncfp.nv.gov or (775) 684-3685 with any questions.