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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 March 28, 2023 Summary

Date and Time of Meeting: March 28, 2023, at 10:16 AM

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

Place of Meeting: DHCFP  
1100 E. William Street  
First Floor Conference Room  
Carson City, Nevada 89701

### Teleconference and/or Microsoft Teams Attendees

**(Note: This List May Not Include All Participants, Just Those Who Identified Themselves)**

Gabriel Lither, Senior Deputy Attorney General  
Malinda Southard, Deputy Administrator, DHCFP  
Stacie Weeks, Administrator DHCFP  
Casey Angres, DHCFP  
Antonio Gudino-Vargas, DHCFP  
Marcel Brown, DHCFP  
David Olsen, DHCFP  
Catherine Vairo, DHCFP  
Rianna White, Fidelis-Rx  
Ellen Flowers, DHCFP  
Abigail Bailey, DHCFP  
Kaysen Bala, Biogen  
Trina Bilich, Bamboo Sunrise  
Keith Benson, DHCFP  
Marta Jensen, Liberty Dental  
Kindra Berntson, DHCFP  
Kimberly Adams, DHCFP  
Mark Rosenberg, Fidelis Rx  
Sarah Moses, DHCFP

Angela Daughtridge, Grifols  
Lisa Pulver, JANUS  
Karen Griffin, Senior Deputy Attorney General  
Raj Mishra, Magellan Health  
Maria Reyes, Fidelis-Rx  
Kim Taitano, Washoe County  
Heather Brockway,  
(SAFY)  
Brooke Gruger, Liberty Dental  
Christy Nguyen, Fidelis-RX  
Chloe Johnson, Eagle Quest  
Steve Messinger, Nevada Primary Care Association  
(NVPCA)  
Lynsey Martinez, Bamboo Sunrise  
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Emma Selm-Keck, DK Pierce  
Denise Hanlin, SAFY  
Robin Ochenschlager, DHCFP

## Introduction:

Casey Angres, Chief of Division Compliance, DHCFP, opened the Public Hearing introducing herself, Stacie Weeks, Administrator, DHCFP, and Gabriel Lither, Senior Deputy Attorney General.

Casey Angres – The notice for this public hearing was published on February 23, 2023, in accordance with Nevada Statute 422.2369.

1. **Public Comments:** There were none.
2. **Discussion and Proposed Adoption and Changes to Medicaid Services Manual**

### **Subject: MSM Chapter 1200 - Prescribed Drugs**

Kindra Berntson, Policy Specialist for Pharmacy Services Unit, DHCFP, presented the proposed Over-the-Counter (OTC) diabetic supplies to the list of exclusions on the current Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) limits as well as updating criteria for Long-Acting Injectable (LAI) Antipsychotics to align with Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved labels, and finally to update gender edits for prenatal vitamins, oral/topical contraceptives.

Details of the changes start on Section E, OTC Drugs which adds language excluding OTC diabetic supplies from prior authorization requirements and MAC limits, which is the maximum allowable cost.

Under Section FFF, the current clinical criteria are revised to establish tolerance of the oral product on treatment naïve patients before initiating treatment with a LAI, as per the FDA-approved indication.

The last change is to Section 2. The current criteria for the prenatal vitamins, oral/topical contraceptives products are updated, allowing a diagnosis of gender dysphoria to bypass gender system edits.

There are no financial impacts on local governments known.

The effective date of these changes is March 3, 2023.

At the conclusion of Kindra Berntson's presentation, Casey Angres asked Stacie Weeks and Gabriel Lither if they had any questions or comments, they had none.

**Public Comments:** There were none.

Stacie Weeks approved the changes, pending spelling and grammar checks.

Casey Angres – Closed the Public Hearing for proposed adoption and changes to MSM Chapter 1200 – Prescribed Drugs.

3. **Adjournment**

There were no further comments and Casey Angres closed the Public Hearing at 10:18 AM.

*\*An Audio (CD) version of this meeting is available through the DHCFP Compliance office. For more detailed information on any of the handouts, submittals, testimony and or comments please contact Jenifer Graham at [documentcontrol@dhcp.nv.gov](mailto:documentcontrol@dhcp.nv.gov) with any questions.*