

Joe Lombardo
Governor

Richard Whitley, MS
Director



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

Helping people. It's who we are and what we do.



Stacie Weeks,
JD MPH
Administrator

*Si necesitas ayuda traduciendo este mensaje, por favor escribe a dhcftp@dhcftp.nv.gov, o llame (702) 668-4200 o (775) 687-1900
如果希望获得本文件的翻译版本，请提交申请至 dhcftp@dhcftp.nv.gov; (702) 668-4200 o (775) 687-1900*

Notice of Meeting to Solicit Public Comments and Intent to Act Upon Amendments to the State Plan for Medicaid Services

Public Hearing January 30, 2024

Summary

Date and Time of Meeting: January 30, 2024, at 10:02 AM

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

Place of Meeting: DHCFFP
1100 E. William Street
Second 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)

Dr. Malinda Southard, Deputy Administrator, DHCFFP	Keiko Duncan, DHCFFP
Gabriel Lither, Senior Deputy Attorney General	Michelle Soule, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services (DWSS)
Casey Angres, DHCFFP	Sean Linehan, DHCFFP
Jessica Vannucci, DHCFFP	Patrick Kelly, Nevada Hospital Association (NVHA)
Carin Hennessey, DHCFFP	Betti Magney, Vitality Unlimited
Lisa Dyer, DHCFFP	Elizabeth Scott, DHCFFP
Leila Veil, DWSS	Michelle Guerra, Nevada Behavioral Health Systems (NVBHS)
Stephanie Sadabseng, DHCFFP	Mandy Coscart, DHCFFP
Amber Cronn, DHCFFP	Rafat Fields, Abbot
Gladys Cook, DHCFFP	Patrick J. Crabb, Silver Summit Health Plan (SSHP)
Thomas Fletcher, DHCFFP	Christy Nguyen, Fidelis-RX
April Caughron, DHCFFP	Sandra Stone, Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS)
Dominic Gaon, Anthem	Belz & Case Government Affairs-Scribe by Rewatch
Melody Hall-Ramirez, DHCFFP	Rianna White, Fidelis-Rx
Sarah Dearborn, DHCFFP	Tashanae Glass, DHCFFP
Keith Benson, DHCFFP	Allison Genco, Dignity Health
De	Erin Lynch, NVHA
Linda Anderson, Nevada Public Health Foundation (NPHF)	
Marcel Brown, DHCFFP	

Tianna Pena, FirstMed Health and Wellness (FMHWC)
Kristen Davis-Coelho, Northern Nevada HOPES
(NNHOPES)
Amy Carl, Anthem
Amy Chattin, DHCFF
Brooke Gruger, Liberty Dental Plan (LIB)
Lilnetra Grady, FMHWC
Candace McClain-Williams, DHCFF
Elena Litton, NNHOPES
Kimberly Adams, DHCFF
Steve Messinger, Nevada Primary Care Association
(NVPCA)
Kimberly Lambrecht, NVPCA
Keri Kelley, SSHP
Michael McCabe, Sellers Dorsey
Hannah Branch, Ferrari Reeder Public Affairs (FRPA)
Philip Ramirez, Molina Healthcare
Morgan Biaselli, SSGR
Chrissy Sanders, SSHP
Dorothy A. Edwards, Washoe County
Saundra Heller, CareSource
Dena Brennan, Gainwell Technologies (GWT)
Jessica Mandoki, DHCFF
Sandie Ruybalid, DHCFF
Serene Pack, DHCFF
Sheri Gaunt, DHCFF
Ellen Flowers, DHCFF
Alex Tanchek, Silver State Government Relations
Theresa Carsten, DHCFF
Amy Levin, MD, Anthem
Mary Gilbertson, UCare
Sarah Rubino Caldwell, Sellers Dorsey
Brandon Ford, Silver State Health
Sabrina Schnur, Belz & Case

William B. Wilhelmsen, Abbott Diabetes Care
Christine Fallabel, American Diabetes Association
Dawnesha Powell, SSHP
Steve
Mariham Fahim, Abbott Diabetes Care
David Nunez, Medcor, Inc.
Maria Reyes, Fidelis-Rx
Robin Ochsenschlager, DHCFF
Nicole L. Figles, SSHP
Ferrari Reeder
Lucille Wroldsen, DHCFF
Brian Evans, The Perkins Company
Carissa Pearce, Children's Advocacy Alliance of Nevada
Holly Long, Community Health Alliance (CHA)
Nik Rose, FMHWC
Suzanne Bierman, Sellers Dorsey
Lovia Larkin, Vitality Unlimited
Hilal Arshad, Elevance Health
Rachelle R
Jason Douglas, Novo Nordisk
Laurie Curfman, LIB
M. Wilson
Mari Nakashima Nielsen, The Perkins Company
Brooke Greenlee, Elevance Health
Vimal Asokan, Anthem
Robert Spadaccini, Sellers Dorsey
Denise Hanlin,
(SAFY)
Jenny Contreras, Medcor, Inc.
Celina
Ky Plaskon, DHCFF
Cara Paoli, Washoe County
Regina C. De Rosa, Anthem

Introduction:

Casey Angres, Chief of Division Compliance, DHCFF, opened the Public Hearing introducing herself, Dr. Malinda Southard, Deputy Administrator, DHCFF, and Gabriel Lither, Senior Deputy Attorney General.

Casey Angres – The notice for this public hearing was published on January 10, 2024, in accordance with Nevada Statute 422.2369.

- 1. Public Comments:** Per Casey Angres, Mariham Fahim's comments will be added to the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Public Hearing as the topic is on that agenda.

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

Subject: Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP): 12-Month Postpartum Continuous Eligibility for Pregnant Women

Michelle Soule, Nevada Check Up Program Specialist, DWSS, advised Pursuant to Nevada Senate Bill (SB) 232 from the 82nd (2023) Nevada Legislature Session, postpartum eligibility for individuals who gave birth while on Medicaid or Nevada Check Up (NCU) will be expanded from two months to 12 months.

Nevada will provide continuous eligibility to pregnant individuals who were eligible for Medicaid or NCU while pregnant through the last day of the 12-month period beginning the month after the birth with the following exceptions: The individual requests voluntary termination of eligibility; the individual ceases to be a resident of the state; the agency determines eligibility was determined incorrectly because of fraud attributed to the individual; or the individual dies.

There is an estimated increase in annual aggregate expenditures for State Fiscal Years (SFY) 2024 and 2025.

SFY 24	\$5,332,398
SFY 25	\$10,419,149

This is an eligibility update and not service and/or provider related.

The effective date of change is January 1, 2024.

Public Comments: There were none.

Casey Angres – closed the Public Hearing for CHIP: 12-Month Postpartum Continuous Eligibility for Pregnant Women.

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

Subject: CHIP: 12-Month Continuous Eligibility for Children

Michelle Soule, Nevada Check Up Program Specialist, DWSS, presented Pursuant to Section 5112 of the Consolidated Appropriation Act, 2023, Continuous Eligibility for Children Under Medicaid and CHIP (Nevada Check Up) under the Medicaid program – Section 1902(e) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(e)) is amended to read “One year of continuous eligibility for children. The State Plan shall provide that an individual who is under the age of 19 and who is determined to be eligible for benefits under a State Plan approved under this title and subsection (a)(10)(A) shall remain eligible for such benefits until the earlier of: The child reaches the age 19; or ceases to be a resident of the state of Nevada; or the child or child’s representative requests a voluntary termination of eligibility ; or the agency determines that eligibility was erroneously granted at the most recent determination, redetermination, or renewal of eligibility because of agency error or fraud, abuse, or perjury attributed to the child or the child’s representative; or the child is deceased.

There is an estimated increase in annual aggregate expenditures for SFY 2024 and 2025.

SFY 24	\$4,098,397
SFY 25	\$8,055,001

This is an eligibility update and not service and/or provider related.

The effective date of change is January 1, 2024.

Public Comments: There were none.

Casey Angres – Closed the Public Hearing for CHIP: 12-Month Continuous Eligibility for Children.

4. Adjournment

There were no further comments and Casey Angres closed the Public Hearing at 10:12 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@dchfp.nv.gov with any questions.***