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

Public Hearing April 29, 2025 Summary

Date and Time of Meeting: April 29, 2025, at 10:02 AM

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

Place of Meeting: Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
1919 College Parkway, Suite #120
Carson City, Nevada 89706

Teleconference and/or Microsoft Teams Attendees

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

Kimberly Smalley, DHCFT
Casey Angres, DHCFT
Lauren M. Driscoll, Deputy Attorney General (DAG)
Theresa Carsten, DHCFT
Joleen Walker, DHCFT
Kaelyne Day, DHCFT
Amber Cronn, DHCFT
Casey Walker
Abraham Meza, DHCFT
JC Flowers, Nevada Health Centers
Joy Thomas, Anthem
Erica McAllister, DHCFT
Amy Levin, Anthem
Lindsey Bondiek, DHCFT
Deidre Manley, DHCFT
Regina C. De Rosa, Anthem
Deborah Jordan, DHCFT
Catherine Vairo, DHCFT
Dominic Gaon, Anthem
De Yates
Jason Yates
Rianna White, Fidelis-Rx

Nahayvee Flores-Rosiles, DHCFT
Antonio Brown, DHCFT
Todd Rich, DHCFT
Monica Schiffer, DHCFT
Nhobelyn Kho, DHCFT
Lisa Glick, Fidelis-Rx
Andre Cisne, Silver Summit Health Plan (SSHP)
Madeline Dunn, Carelon
Shadi A. Ahmed, Carelon
Christina Cobeo, DHCFT
Marilyn Juarez, Anthem
Eric Alonzo, Fidelis Rx
David Gross, Pfizer
Frederick Gibison, Mercer
Ellen Flowers, DHCFT
Sarah Dearborn, DHCFT
Malinda Southard, DHCFT
Melody Hall-Ramirez, DHCFT
Jonathan Figueroa, DHCFT
Jennifer Krupp, DHCFT
Angela Stewart, Elevance Health

Introduction:

Kimberly Smalley, Hearings Chief, DHCFP, opened the Public Hearing introducing herself, Theresa Carsten, Deputy Administrator, DHCFP, and Lauren M. Driscoll, DAG.

Kimberly Smalley – The notice for this public hearing was published on March 27, 2025, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) Statute 422.2369.

1. **Public Comments:** There were none.
2. **Discussion of Amendments to the State Plan for Medicaid Services and Solicitation of Public Comments**

Subject: Transformation of the Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) into the Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) and addition of the Beneficiary Advisory Council (BAC)

Nahayvee Flores-Rosiles, Tribal and Community Liaison in the Community and Provider Engagement Unit, DHCFP, presented updates to State Plan Attachment 1.4, Page 9, Attachment 3.1-C, and Attachment 3.1-F, Pages 2-3, to rename the Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) to the Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) as well as the addition of the Beneficiary Advisory Council (BAC) throughout the State Plan. In April 2024, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published a final rule renaming and expanding the states MCAC as well as creating a BAC comprised of Medicaid beneficiaries, their families, and/or caregivers. Other changes with the implementation of the new advisory groups include both the MAC and the BAC which were incorporated into the Standards and Methods of Assuring High Quality Care section. The Public Process section for the design and implementation of the managed care program the MCAC was renamed to the MAC, and the BAC was added to advise the Division regarding provisions of services and medical care of the Medicaid beneficiaries. This process will also be the same for when changes are made to Long Term Supportive Services (LTSS) under the Managed Care contract. These two advisory groups will launch in July 2025.

The updates that are being proposed will not negatively affect any Medicaid provider types (PT).

There is an estimated increase in annual aggregate expenditures for State Fiscal Years (SFY) 2026 and 2027:

SFY 2026:	\$29,442.03
SFY 2026:	\$32,386.23

The effective date is May 1, 2025, pending CMS approval of this State Plan Amendment (SPA).

Public Comments: There were none.

3. **Adjournment**

There were no further comments, and Kimberly Smalley closed the Public Hearing at 10:07 AM.

****A video 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@dhcfp.nv.gov with any questions.***