## **Personal Assistance Oversight Committee Minutes**

October 14, 2009 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM (MST)

**Division of Medicaid – Central Office** 

3232 Elder Street, D-East Conference Room

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Committee Members Present: Jason McKinley (Provider), Scott Burpee (Provider), Pam Catt-Oliason (Advocate), Michelle Wood (Provider), Deana Gilchrist (Advocate), Bobby Ball (Advocate/Consumer), Bart Larsen (Provider), Aaron Thain (Provider), Dana Gover (Consumer/Self-Directed). Committee Members Absent: Jack Miller (Consumer) Karen Schmidt (Consumer) DHW Staff Present: Paul Leary, Deputy Administrator, Natalie Peterson, LTC Bureau Chief, Melanie Belnap, RMS LTC Manager Susan Scheuerer, ACC; Susie Choules, ACC, Sue Harvey RN, Nurse Manager; Marcie Young, Administrative Assistant II. Guests Present: Rachel Johnstone, Idaho State Independent Living Council, Cathy Libby, MMIS and Lori Stiles, Medicaid Program Integrity Unit

AGENDA ITEM	LEAD	Time	DECISIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTION ITEMS
Welcome - Introductions Read and approve minutes from July 15, 2009 PAO Meeting. (Attachment)	Natalie Peterson	1:00	Jason McKinley made motion to approve minutes as written, Scott Burpee seconded.
Department Update	Paul Leary	1:15	<ul> <li>Paul Leary, Medicaid Deputy Administrator provided a Department update:         <ul> <li>Budget Holdbacks – As far as additional cost savings/cuts, there is nothing new at this time. (Stimulus money) The American Reinvestment &amp; Recovery Act of 2009 (ARRA) the federal government currently provides a higher federal match. This match is scheduled to end in 2011 unless extended; there is no additional information at this time.</li> <li>Children Personal Care Services rule changes are in response to a federal audit. See proposed rule changes, public hearing and comment information at State of Idaho, Administrative Rules, Legislative Bulletin October 7, 2009.</li> <li>The Transportation RFP process will be posted on 10/15/09. This contractor can only be a transportation broker; they cannot be a direct transportation provider. Direct Medicaid Transportation questions and issues to Matt Wimmer, Program Manager.</li> <li>Katie Beckett rules will publish in November, see website for more information regarding the parental cost sharing and the implementation of a sliding scale premium. http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/</li> <li>FI/FEA rules are publishing for self direction for DD participants; the intent is to move from a single source contract to rule to provide opportunity for additional providers.</li> <li>Discussion followed related to the A&amp;D Waiver and the impact of the Consumer Direct Services Rules, Administration agreed to not move forward with Docket 16.0310-0907 and hold as proposed.</li></ul></li></ul>

Update on Idaho State Independent Living	Rachel Johnstone Idaho State	1:45	Boise and Coeur'd Alene. Public Hearing will be held in Idaho Falls on November 10 <sup>th</sup> . The comment period on these rules was scheduled to end on October 28, 2009, but will be extended to November 10 <sup>th</sup> due to hearing request and dates.  o Marcie will send hearing information via-e-mail to this committee. (Sent to Attendees 11-2-09.)  The Statewide Panel will attend the December 10 <sup>th</sup> PAO meeting and give an update on their grant, recommendations and progress. The general areas they are working on and will be recommending
Council (SILC)Grant	Independent Living Council		are: 1 – Communication: Need for consistent and clear communication between Medicaid central office, field offices, and participants. 2 – Training and Education: Need to consult with and directly involve people with disabilities and Medicaid participants in the development of consistent and professional training for personal assistants (PAs).
IT Update	Cathy Libby	2:00	See attached handout. <b>Idaho MMIS Transition News</b> Currently they are focusing on the process that is going to be used to get providers from the current process into new system. All information is available publicly through the Medicaide Newsletter located on the Health and Welfare Website at <a href="http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Providers/MedicaidProviders/MedicAideNewsletter/tabid/267/Default.aspx">http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Providers/MedicaidProviders/MedicAideNewsletter/tabid/267/Default.aspx</a> or the MMIS website at <a href="http://www.idahommis.dhw.idaho.gov">www.idahommis.dhw.idaho.gov</a> .
BREAK		2:15	
PAO Organizational Review	Natalie Peterson	2:30	The PAO is a subcommittee of the Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC). The PAO is charged with planning, monitoring, and recommending changes to the medical waiver and personal assistance programs to the MCAC. Three draft document were provided:  1) Idaho Statute Title 39 Health and Safety Chapter 56 Personal Assistance Services  2) Personal Assistance Oversight (PAO) Committee – Bylaws  3) Personal Assistance Oversight (PAO) Committee – Code of Ethics October 2009  Committee members decided to review handouts and e-mail comments/suggestions to Marcie prior to the December 10 <sup>th</sup> meeting. This review and discussion will be on the December 10 <sup>th</sup> agenda.
Medicaid Program Integrity Unit	Lori Stiles, Supervisor Medicaid Program Integrity Unit	3:15	See PowerPoint handout.
Adjourn		4:00	
Next Meeting Date December 10, 2009			Schedule for 2010 PAO Meetings  March 17 <sup>th</sup> 1-4 D-East June 16 <sup>th</sup> 1-4 D-East September 15 <sup>th</sup> 1-4 D-East December 15 <sup>th</sup> 1-4 D-East