

**Medical Care Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** July 18, 2018 **Time:** 1:30 – 4:30 PM

**Location:** IDHW Medicaid Central Office  
3232 Elder St. Boise, ID 83705 D-East Conference

**Chair:** Courtney Holthus  
**Vice-Chair:** April Dunham

**Call-in:** 1-877-820-7831; Participant Code 301388

**Goal:** Update MCAC Members on IDHW Issues

**Committee Members Present:** Bill Benkula (Mental Health Provider’s Association); April Dunham (Idaho Health Continuum of Care Association) Vice-Chair; Courtney Holthus (Disability Rights Idaho) Chair; Kim Burgen (Idaho Medical Association); Yvonne Ketchum (Idaho Primary Care Association); Mitzy Lewis (LINC) – Call In; Elizabeth Caval-Williams (Community Partnership of Idaho); Eva Davison (Benewah Tribes Representative) – Call In; Toni Lawson (Idaho Hospital Association) – Call In

**Committee Members Absent:** Kris Ellis (Idaho Health Care Association); Kevin Bitner (Idaho Commission on Aging); Pam Eaton (Idaho State Pharmacy Association); Representative Fred Wood (Idaho House of Representatives); Senator Lee Heider (Idaho State Senate); Representative (Dr.) John Rusche (Board Certified Physician); Cathy McDougal (AARP); Tina Bullock (Nimipuu Health – Nez Perce Tribe); Elke Shaw-Tulloch (Administrator, IDHW Division of Health)

**DHW Staff Present:** George Gutierrez (Deputy Administrator for Policy, Division of Medicaid); Ronda Kadel (Committee Secretary, Division of Medicaid); Matt Wimmer (Administrator, Division of Medicaid); Alexandra Fernández (Bureau Chief of Long Term Care, Division of Medicaid); Donny Jardine (Division of Medicaid); Dr. Christine Hahn (Division of Public Health); David Taylor (Division of Medicaid)

**DHW Staff Absent:** Tiffany Kinzler (Bureau Chief of Medical Care, Division of Medicaid); Ross Edmunds (Division of Behavioral Health); Art Evans (Bureau Chief of DD services, Division of Medicaid); Sara Stith (Division of Medicaid); David Welsh (Division of Medicaid); Suzette Driscoll (Division of Medicaid)

**Guests/Nominees/Proxy:** Corey Makizuru (Idaho Association of Community Providers); Shaun Bills ((Idaho Association of Community Providers); Pam Willey (Medicaid Recipient); Jenifer Williams (Nimiipuu Health)

Agenda Item	Outcome/Action
<b>Introductions and Committee Business</b>	<p><b>Introduction and Committee Business:</b></p> <p>Introductions of Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ April 18, 2018 MCAC minutes approved</li> <li>○ Board Certified Physician position is open and multiple recruitment possibilities were discussed</li> <li>○ Rep Wood and Sen Heider will remain as listed committee members, but can opt to send a proxy on their behalf</li> <li>○ Corey Makizuru and Shaun Bills were recommended to fill the two vacant rotating seats for the Provider Segment of the committee</li> <li>○ Pam Willey was recommended to fill the Medicaid Recipient position on the committee</li> <li>○ HCBS subcommittee did not meet this time due to committee nominee reviews</li> </ul>
<b>Regional Care Organizations (RCO)</b>	<p><b>Matt Wimmer, Medicaid</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Provider portal for Healthy Connections to be implemented in August, contractor is Truven</li> <li>○ Total cost of care calculations will be specified in August, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Targeting January 1, 2019 to have first contracts signed and go live in July 2019</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Composing hospital quality measurements and metrics, contracting with Dr. Janine Smith to do the work with AMA and SHIP</li> <li>○ Feedback: Should include patients in sharing knowledge regarding total-cost care and how it works. Include patients for help making decisions regarding options and costs, creates more transparency</li> <li>○ Tribal members will always have the ability to opt out, as well as adults on DD waivers</li> </ul>
<b>Personal Assistance Oversight Committee (PAOC) Update</b>	<p><b>Ali Fernández - Overview of the PAOC was given (Handouts)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ PAOC meeting had a guest speaker talk about provider cost surveys, setting new reimbursement rates for provider employee wages</li> <li>○ Shared information regarding Electronic Visit Verification (EVV), plan to request delayed implementation date from CMS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Technology is a hurdle and tracking in rural areas, ideally could start in 2021</li> <li>● Difficult to find a “one size fits all” approach, ongoing work group discussions to take place</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>MMCP and New Program for Duals Called “Idaho Medicaid Plus”</b>	<p><b>Ali Fernández, Medicaid – Update and Overview (Handouts)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Out of 28,000 dual-eligibles currently in Idaho, 3,700 are enrolled in MMCP and it is growing by an average of 400 per month</li> <li>○ In May, 700 people attended 31 state-wide informational meetings regarding mandatory enrollment under Idaho Medicaid Plus</li> <li>○ IMPlus will begin on October 1, 2018, in our pilot county if Twin Falls fir all duals that have that county as their zip code of residence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will encompass 1,200 duals in total, there are currently 300 participants who are currently on MMCP</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Beginning in September, there will be a dedicated staff member to field questions from participants and providers</li> <li>○ For information go to <a href="http://mmcp.dhw.idaho.gov/">http://mmcp.dhw.idaho.gov/</a>, or contact Ali Fernandez at <a href="mailto:Alexandra.Fernandez@dhw.idaho.gov">Alexandra.Fernandez@dhw.idaho.gov</a> Ph: 208-287-1179</li> <li>○ Next stakeholder webinar is scheduled for August 20, 2018</li> </ul>

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<b>Idaho Behavioral Health Plan (IBHP)</b>	<p><b>George Gutierrez (on behalf of Suzette Driscoll), Medicaid</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ On July 1, 2018 YES implemented several services that are billable through Optum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● CANS Functional Assessment Tool, Skills Building/CBRS, Case Consultation, Child-Family Team (CFT) Interdisciplinary Team, Treatment Planning, and Respite</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ These services will support the child-family team process. Medicaid is also evaluating option to expand case management services.</li> <li>○ Continuing provider trainings and communications for new services and operational changes</li> <li>○ Upcoming timeline for additional services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● October 2018 - Crisis Response, Family Psychoeducation</li> <li>● January 2019 - Crisis Intervention</li> <li>● March 2019 - Targeted Service Coordination, Intensive Care Coordination</li> <li>● April 2019 - Family Support, Youth Support, Integrated Substance Use Disorder (SUD) for co-occurring disorders</li> <li>● June 2019 - IHCBS Program, Behavioral Modification, Day Treatment, Therapeutic After School/Summer Program, and Transportation for families, Treatment Foster Care, and Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Additional aspects to be implemented will include data and reporting capabilities through the TCOM system</li> </ul>
<b>Dental – Idaho Smiles</b>	<p><b>David Taylor, Medicaid</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ On July 1, 2018, Medicaid reinstated enhanced dental benefits for all Medicaid-eligible adults. We have received positive feedback.</li> <li>○ We are working on a request for mobile dentistry program for home-bound and assisted-living participants to get dental care. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● MCNA would track as a provider type, there will be on-going work group meetings</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Rate setting work group is put together, meeting with Navigant, any change would go into effect in July of 2019</li> <li>○ Dentures are a primary concern for rate setting adjustments, MCNA is restricted on their ability to adjust codes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Would need to adjust budget request in the coming legislative session to ensure sufficient funding for potential contract changes.</li> <li>● Medicaid hopes to engage in a culture-shift to preventative care, rather than denture-focused</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS)</b>	<p><b>Donny Jardine, Medicaid</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicaid has completed all identified onsite provider assessments, a total of 801</li> <li>○ Medicaid has finalized the Statewide Transition Plan, submitted for public comment, and received public comments from two sources</li> <li>○ Medicaid has responded to the public comments and will submit the transition plan to CMS on 7/31/18</li> <li>○ Medicaid will ensure all Certified Family Homes are reviewed for the HCBS requirements at least every three years <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Division of Licensing and Certification will issue citations for violation of requirements that are included in their rules</li> <li>● For some assessment requirements, a Quality Assurance Specialist will be assigned to review, investigate, and document the compliance issue in the same manner as a complaint</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ If Medicaid terminates an HCBS provider's agreement, participants who live in the setting will be offered a choice: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● To receive Medicaid Home and Community Based Services from another Medicaid provider; or find a different way to pay their current provider for the services they want.</li> <li>● HCBS providers will continue to be paid through the transition period to ensure the participant's needs are cared for. Participants will continue to be eligible for the HCBS waiver programs if they continue to use a waiver service at least every thirty days.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Any member of the public, whether participant, provider, or other interested party may attend MCAC or subcommittee meetings</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Division of Medicaid Updates</b></p> <p><b>Rules, SPAs, and Waiver activity</b></p>	<p><b>George Gutierrez, Medicaid – (Add to MCAC site)</b></p> <p><b>Rules for 2019 Legislature</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hospital Swing Bed Requirements –allows for additional skilled-nursing beds in hospital settings, based on need</li> <li>○ Adult Dental – specifies what benefits are available and is already in place as a temporary rule</li> <li>○ Laboratory and Radiology Services – out of state labs to comply with Idaho requirements, and identify requirements for genetic services</li> <li>○ Healthy Connections/RCO-Fixed Enrollment – requires participants to select a primary care physician only during annual enrollment</li> <li>○ Pharmacy – implements change to comply with federal regulations for reimbursement for excluded drugs</li> <li>○ Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) – provides authority to establish rate setting methodology and allow stakeholder input</li> <li>○ Medical Care Federal Compliance – implements change to comply with federal regulations for TPL pursuit by Medicaid</li> <li>○ Children’s Habilitative Intervention Services – moves federal authority to provide these services from Waiver to State Plan services</li> <li>○ School-Based Services Paraprofessional Qualification for Personal Care Services – align provider requirements for school and community</li> <li>○ School-Based Services-Community Based Rehabilitation Services Definition – updates definition of CBRS to match YES Project definition</li> <li>○ YES Termination of Enrollment – allow for termination of eligibility under federal authority if requirements are not met</li> <li>○ Transplant Services – will add lung transplant services and allow for live liver donors</li> <li>○ Nursing Facility Special Rates-Ventilator and Tracheostomy Care – set special rates to cover allowances for supplies and nursing hours</li> <li>○ MMCP Mandatory Enrollment – allow for mandatory enrollment of duals to Medicaid managed care where there are multiple plan options</li> <li>○ Idaho Home Choice-Sustainability – will ensure Idaho sustains transition benefits to move participants from facilities to their homes</li> <li>○ Home and Community Based Services Provider Reimbursement – establish revised methodology for setting future rates</li> </ul> <p><b>State Plan Amendments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Renewal HCBS Adult DD waiver – approved by CMS</li> <li>○ Indian Health Care Clinics (IHS) – allow contracts with non-tribal providers to deliver services to tribal members outside of the tribal clinic</li> <li>○ Infant Toddler Program EPSDT SPAs – funding shift of ITP services to Medicaid for more effective services</li> <li>○ Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) – yearly submission was approved by CMS</li> </ul> <p><b>SPAs upcoming:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ RCO PCMH – will support value-based purchasing for RCO and Healthy Connections, to be submitted by year end</li> <li>○ Durable Medical Equipment – officially withdrawn, working on payment demonstration</li> <li>○ Children’s DD Support Services renewal – draft to CMS and TA call is scheduled</li> <li>○ Children’s DD Intervention – move habilitative intervention from current waiver over to a state plan benefit</li> <li>○ Idaho Smiles Basic/Enhanced ABPs – combined with early intervention SPA, specifies dental benefits for eligible participants</li> <li>○ Dental Rate Methodology – establishes a rate setting methodology, waiting on info from Navigant</li> <li>○ Idaho Medicaid Plus – submitted to CMS</li> <li>○ Mental Health Parity – ensuring that no mental health services are more restricted than what is offered on the medical side</li> </ul> <p><b>Waivers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1915(c): A&amp;D Waiver Amendment, HCBS Adult DD and HCBS A&amp;D Waiver Amendments for ResHab Rate Methodology</li> <li>○ IBHP 1915(b) – to support new services under YES. Will submit for 7/1/18 effective date, waiting on capitation rate analysis.</li> <li>○ 1915(c): Children’s DD close out and Act Early close out – waiting on timeline from CMS, to move services from Waiver to State Plan</li> <li>○ Idaho Smiles 1915(b) Addition of Adult Dental Benefits – effective 7/1/18, in progress</li> <li>○ Idaho Medicaid Plus 1915(b), A&amp;D Waiver Amendment for Idaho Plus – effective 10/1/18, in progress</li> </ul>
<p><b>Medicaid Participant Impact Story</b></p>	<p><b>Mitzy Lewis will share in October</b></p>
<p><b>Exchange of ideas, recommendations and next meeting agenda items</b></p>	<p><b>Committee Business:</b> Did not meet</p> <p><b>AGENDA Items for next meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ HCBS Project Update – Donny Jardine</li> <li>○ WICHE Project – Ross Edmunds</li> <li>○ KW and DD Enhancement Update – Arthur Evans</li> <li>○ Optum Skills Building Presentation – Tiffany Kinzler</li> <li>○ MMCP and Idaho Medicaid Plus – Ali Fernandez</li> <li>○ IBHP/YES Services Update – David Welsh</li> </ul>

Next meeting is **10/17/2018**. Meetings for 2019: **01/16/2018, 04/17/2018, 07/17/2018, 10/16/2018** (all meetings are located at 3232 Elder, Boise Idaho)  
The MCAC website can be found at: <http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/Medicaid/MedicalCareAdvisoryCommittee/tabid/1206/Default.aspx>