

**Medical Care Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** October 18, 2017 **Time:** 1:30 – 4:30 PM

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

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

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

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

**Committee Members Present:** Kris Ellis (Idaho Health Care Association); Bill Benkula (Mental Health Provider’s Association); April Dunham (Idaho Quality of Life Coalition)-Chair; Courtney Holthus (Disability Rights Idaho) Vice-Chair; Toni Lawson (Idaho Hospital Assoc); Teresa Cirelli (Idaho Medical Association); Eva Davison (Benewah Tribes Representative)-Call In; Yvonne Ketchum (Idaho Primary Care Association) call-in; **Committee Members Absent:** 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); Yvette Ashton (Medicaid Recipient); Elke Shaw-Tulloch (Administrator, IDHW Division of Health); Tina Bullock (Nimipuu Health – Nez Perce Tribe)  
**DHW Staff Present:** George Gutierrez (Deputy Administrator for Policy, Division of Medicaid); Tiffany Kinzler (Bureau Chief of Medical Care, Division of Medicaid); Dea Kellom (Committee secretary, Division of Medicaid); Beth Kriete, (Acting Deputy Administrator for Operations, Division of Medicaid); Alexandra Fernández (Acting Bureau Chief of Long Term Care, Division of Medicaid); Jennifer Bidwell (Division of Medicaid);Carolyn Burt (Division of Medicaid);David Welsh (division of Medicaid); Dori Boyle (Division of Medicaid)  
**DHW Staff Absent:** Matt Wimmer (Administrator, Division of Medicaid); Lisa Hettinger (Deputy Director of Medicaid); Shelia Pugatch (Bureau Chief of Financial Operations, Division of Medicaid). Art Evan (Bureau Chief of DD services, Division of Medicaid)  
**Guests/Nominees/Proxy:** Elizabeth Caval-Williams (Community Partnership of Idaho); Mitzy Lewis (LINC) – Call-In; Kevin Bitner (Idaho Commission on Aging) – Call-in

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>o July 19, 2017 Minutes moved, seconded and approved</li> <li>o Seats voted in                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mitzi Lewis (LINC), Liz Caval-Williams (Community Partnership of Idaho), Kevin Bitner (Idaho Commission of Aging)</li> </ul> </li> <li>o Need recommendation for Rotating Seats/Provider Segment to take Cory Lewis seat – Suggested this position be put in the Idaho Newsletter</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>o Still have vacancies on the PAO – developed flyer to recruit participants and webpage had a “Join Now” button</li> <li>o Able Act achieving a better life expectancy – gives participants an opportunity to save money to purchase qualified disabled goods and services</li> <li>o Invite MCAC to join the next meeting–speaker presenting emergency preparedness for individuals with disabilities – Dec 13<sup>th</sup> 1-3 PM</li> <li>o Waiver renewal update – A&amp;D and Adult DD Waiver Renewals both approved</li> <li>o Idaho Home Choice Update – 482 total transitions from skilled nursing facilities into community sites since 2011 – apartments/homes</li> <li>o Veyo update – transportation brokerage – Dori to share later</li> <li>o MMCP Planning participant meetings in December for enrollment to Molina-Mailers going out – Ali to send out schedule to MCAC</li> <li>o Quality Improvement Strategy Improvement Strategy                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easier for providers to report</li> <li>• Reveals areas for targeting in the provider reviews for further training</li> <li>• Trying to automate the process as much as possible</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Report on Veyo Transportation Contract</b>	<p><b>Dori Boyle – Update on Veyo Contract</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Been meeting regularly, over past year, with the Consortium for Individuals with Disabilities (CID) group                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Out of those meetings we have formed a charter and transportation advisory committee – First meeting in December</li> <li>• Talking about issues with transportation, and give recommendations to work with Veyo on their policies and procedures</li> </ul> </li> <li>o Working with University of Illinois Institute on Disability and Human Development                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UOI is doing a survey for transportation serving participants that have used the services from Veyo, the Veyo Drivers and doing internal surveys with Veyo staff and Medicaid staff</li> <li>• Take information, analyze data and look at contract the way it is written along with Veyo procedures</li> <li>• Giving recommendations on what Medicaid can do to help Veyo – maybe make changes to contract</li> </ul> </li> <li>o Sara Stith and Dori taken a course through CTAA (Community Transportation Association of America) The course is called PASS training, which is Passenger Assistance and Sensitivity Training and are now certified in this training                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with CTAA to come here and provide training to the Transportation Provider network</li> <li>• Will share training with transportation advisory committee</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<b>Community NOW! Update</b>	<p><b>Bill Benkula – Update on the Community Now! (Handout)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ More people with intellectual disabilities are moving from life institutional settings to more community based settings</li> <li>○ Because of the KW vs Armstrong lawsuit with regards to the assessment tool that was being utilized, part of the settlement agreement was to look at Idaho community based programs, this is how Community Now! began</li> <li>○ Over 60 members that work together from many affiliations (See page 2 of handout)</li> <li>○ Met monthly for last 6 months, 14 stops on a listening tour across 7 Department of H&amp;W regions, 2,000+ cumulative hours on process</li> <li>○ 17 recommendations came from these meetings (page 4) to establish a quality Person-Centered Planning process and more</li> <li>○ Have person-specific training to encourage the person receiving services, friends and family to be integral in the process of educating staff</li> </ul>
<b>Report on Optum Contract</b>	<p><b>David Welsh – Update on the Optum Contract</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Working with Optum to implement intensive outpatient services for children and adults throughout the state <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Starting out with 11 providers to offer these services and bringing on new providers in a second part with Optum</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Working to create a new Skill Building service to meet the needs of children and adults more customized toward skill building</li> <li>○ Available for FQHC effective 1/1/2018 - HBAI Health and Behavioral Assessment Intervention Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Services provided during a medical visit by a licensed masters clinician</li> <li>● Billed to Optum using a medical diagnosis</li> <li>● Intended to support the medical diagnosis not necessarily the behavioral health diagnosis</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Youth Empowerment Services (YES) Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● RFP closed October 5, 2017, for an independent assessor who will conduct an assessment for potential children who are Yes class members who have a qualifying SED diagnosis – will award contract on Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. Will go into effect January 1, 2018.</li> <li>● Will allow us to fund services that are not traditionally funded through Medicaid</li> <li>● Increases the federal poverty level limit for eligibility for Medicaid to help more children with SED to be eligible for services</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Services will be available in groups rolling out from July 2018-2020</li> <li>○ Services are outlined in the Jeff D Settlement Agreement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The goal is to put most of these services into our state plan benefit available to all who qualify as a class member</li> <li>● Most of these services will be available to any child through the Idaho Behavioral Health Medical system</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Overview on HCBS Project</b>	<p><b>Jennifer Bidwell and Carolyn Burt, Medicaid – (Handout)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Site Assessment Stage – June 9, 2017 – Dec 2, 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● There are 826 sites currently being assessed, 583 completed with 242 to be completed</li> <li>● Out of the assessed, 73 have been referred for a corrective action plan, and one has been referred to Medicaid Administration for Actions Against a Provider Agreement (AAPA) for failure to provide a corrective action plan</li> <li>● No participants have needed to be transitioned to a compliant residential setting and most are happy with the services they are receiving in their settings</li> <li>● Teams have instructed assessors to gather the provider self-assessments prior to going in to do the assessment</li> <li>● Providers have been receptive to the messaging regarding the corrective active plans – we tell them we have a formal plan to follow so providers can come to compliance with IDAPA rules</li> <li>● Plans are to complete the remaining assessments by Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> and results will be compiled over the month of December</li> <li>● We will update the State-wide transition plan. There will be a public notice and comment period – if all goes well submit the plan to CMS by Aug of 2018</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>1115 Effort Update</b>	<p><b>Tiffany Kinzler</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare is developing a Section 1115(d) Demonstration wavier application for submittal to CMS</li> <li>○ The 1115 waiver is part of a two-waiver proposal focused on providing Medicaid coverage to approximately 5,000 Idahoans living with complex, life-threatening medical conditions</li> <li>○ The second component is a 1332 waiver developed by the Department of Insurance. These waivers are part of the Idaho solution to help stabilize the individual insurance market, insurance rates, and to allow Idahoans under 100% of the FPL to access coverage on the health insurance exchange</li> <li>○ Public hearings are being conducted across the state between December 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup></li> <li>○ Once the hearings are completed and the waiver application finalized, it will be submitted to CMS on or about January 3, 2018</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Division of Medicaid Updates</b></p> <p><b>Rules</b></p> <p><b>SPA activity</b></p>	<p><b>George Gutierrez – (Handout)</b></p> <p><b>Rules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ School-Base Services has been approved by Medicaid and the Director and is ready for publication in the Dec Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Changing ways schools seek reimbursement for Medicaid services</li> <li>● Provides up to 30-days for schools to get physician approval for service plans and allows schools to be reimbursed for services up to 30-days prior with physician’s signature</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Mental Health Parity had a public hearing earlier in October and will publishing the Jan Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mental health services that do not exist for medical services, inpatient psychiatric prior authorization will be changed to mirror medical services as they are medically necessary</li> <li>● Participants will be able to receive services as long as they are medically necessary</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Infant Toddler had a hearing Oct 17th and will be publish in the Jan Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Delete reference to ITP throughout the chapter and changes billing process to allow services to be billed to Medicaid</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ KW SIB-R – Will publish in the Jan Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Remove references to the SIB-R assessment tool, can adopt the use of a department approved assessment tool</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Behavioral Health Unit – Will publish in the Dec Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will change the reimbursement methodology for Nursing facilities with BCU designation, reducing requirement for self-funding to 30-days</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Jeff D – Will publish in the Jan Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will add new sections of rules to administer services an supports to be delivered under 1915i authority as a Medicaid state plan option</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Rules Governing Contested Case Proceedings – Will publish in the Jan Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Streamline the appeals/hearings process to promote consistency in how Medicaid manages them</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Fee Rule for YES – Will publish in the Jan Bulletin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Changing the premium to comply with the cost-sharing provision in Section 56-257 for YES participants whose family income is about Title XIX income limits</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>State Plan Amendments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All ABP Benchmark SPA’s have been approved by CMS</li> <li>○ The Graduate Medical Education (GMS) SPA was submitted to CMS 9/29/17</li> <li>○ The Behavioral Care Unit (BCU) SPA was submitted to CMS. We have received informal questions that were answered. Now waiting on CMS</li> <li>○ The YES 1915(i) SPA was submitted to CMS 10/5/17</li> <li>○ The Pharmacy II SPA was submitted to CMS 8/24/17</li> <li>○ The HCBS 1915(i) Adult DD SPA</li> <li>○ Tribal Notice sent out 9/27/17</li> </ul> <p><b>SPAs upcoming:</b></p> <p>The ITP EPSDT SPA should see noticing by October and submittal by November</p> <p>The RCO SPA is in draft still</p> <p><b>State Plan Amendments Title XXI</b></p> <p>CHIP SPA – CMS is holding</p> <p><b>Waivers:</b></p> <p>The HCBS Adult DD and A&amp;D Waiver Renewals were both approved</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>○ WICHE Project update from Ross Edmunds</li> <li>○ 211 Program that is nutrition related</li> <li>○ 1115 Effort Update</li> <li>○ Skill building services update – Optum</li> <li>○ NCBS Project Update from – Donny</li> <li>○ NEMT Veyo Update – Matt?</li> </ul>

Meetings for 2018: [1/17/2018](#), [4/18/2018](#), [7/18/2018](#) and [10/17/2018](#) (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>