

Idaho Medicaid Therapy Providers Meeting Agenda

Date / Time of Meeting	Friday, September 21, 2018 10:30 am — 12:00 pm
Location	Conference Room D-West, 3232 Elder St, Boise, ID

Medicaid Participants	Att'd	Provider Participants	Att'd	Molina Participants	Att'd
David Welsh		Tammy Emerson	X	Robert Hughes	X
Kristina Eidemiller	X	Sondra McMIndes	X	Kristi Harris	X
Ashley Fretwell	X	Jennifer Dahms	X	Natasha Derrick	X
Tiffany Kinzler		April Ward	X	Darla Callaway	X
Cindy Brock	X	Mandy Ovitt-Lee	X	Rainy Natal	X
Tracy Lombard	X	Abby Fry	X		
William Deseron	X	Marcia Williams	X		
Susan Scheuerer	X	Stephanie Perry	X		
Jayme Salvadori	X	Kari Thompson	X		
Curtis Loveless		Brian Olson	X		
		Celeste Costa	X		
		Herb Sandoval	X		
		Maria Black	X		

Meeting Content

Time	Topics Discussed	Action Item	Responsible
10:30	Welcome and Introductions — Kristina Eidemiller		
10:33	<p>Early Intervention Services — Cindy Brock</p> <p>Early Intervention Services were launched July 1st for the 0-3 age group. This was a coordinated project with the Division of Family and Community Services' Infant Toddler Program.</p> <p>The state plan was updated. There is also an intra-agency agreement on www.idmedicaid.com. The General Provider and Participant Handbook has an EPSDT section now and 2.6 and 2.6.1. are designated to these services. There is an Independent Fee Schedule on the EPSDT webpage (Department website) that links to the Provider Handbook.</p> <p>Infant Toddler Program has also updated materials and trained staff.</p>		
10:38	<p>Wound Care Revenue Code Billing — Kathy Ball</p> <p>Did not discuss</p>		
10:38	<p>Status of Feeding/Dysphagia Evaluation & Treatment Codes for OT's — Kari Thompson</p> <p>A newsletter article will go out after Molina launches the codes. The retroactive live date is 7/1/2016.</p> <p>IDMedicaid.com search bar will find every newsletter. In addition, you can click on "Provider" and "MedicAide</p>	Keep an eye out for new article.	

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	Newsletters” under “Resources & Links”. There is an August 2013 article as well.	Look up previous article for additional information.	
10:41	Can Providers Charge a “No Show” Fee — Mandy Ovitt-Lee Members are not allowed to pay for a service that is a covered service. This is discussed in the general provider and participation handbook. There is also a balanced billing article published 2-3 times a year.		
10:45	Contact Medicaid Policy Team if you have questions prior to the next meeting – they don’t have to wait. The policy team can direct questions to the proper staff if it is not them.	MCPT@dhw.idaho.gov	
10:48	Therapy Aide & Assistant Allowances – Tracy Lombard Can the therapy aides or assistants administer evaluations for therapy or is that exclusive to the licensed therapist? Aides can help with process, but they are not allowed to interpret them. Speech therapy aides have higher levels of authority than assistants. Occupational and physical therapy aides have less authority than assistants. Medicaid pays for one-on-one therapy only unless they’re school-based therapy, which can be billed as group therapy.	Email documentation from American Occupational Therapy Association to Tracy Review Speech Therapy site	Kari Thompson Tracy Lombard
10:52	What functions do the providers do under direct supervision of a physician if any? – Kristina Eidemiller None – they are independent providers from physicians.		
10:54	Medicaid Coverage of Group CPT Codes – Kari Thompson Medicare covers groups and there are CPT codes for group ST and OT. Why doesn’t Medicaid allow that? Nursing homes, for example, do group therapy. They can bill BCI and Medicare, but not Medicaid. They have significant education to do group social skills group therapy. Nursing homes get a per diem that covers the therapy as well as schools. Individual therapists do not get that option due to IDAPA prohibiting it. Infant Toddler Program is not allowed to bill group therapy either. This can be explored for consideration to propose a change to the legislature. The policy team would need more in-depth information as to the benefits and ins and outs. This could be presented potentially in 2020.	Review the 6 surrounding states and other research. Provide to Policy Team.	Tammy Emmerson Kari Thompson Sondra McMindes Mandy Ovitt-Lee

