



05.10.23 - NE Tribal/Medicaid Monthly Call Agenda

Conference Access Number **(888) 820-1398**

Attendee Code- **7300221**

Present: Jacob Kawamoto, Chris Morton, Jeshena Gold, Cathy Kearney, Doug Bauch, Becky Crase (Ponca), Nancy Mackey (Santee), Vietta Swalley (Santee), Catalina Hernandez (Pine Ridge), RickyAnn Fletcher (MCNA), Tracy Nelson (MCNA), Gelisha Palma (HBN), Cynthia Goslin (UHC), Kara Urkoski (UHC), Mariana Johnson (NTC), Stacey Steiner (CMS)

SPA/Waiver Updates

- SPA
- Waiver Authority
 - o Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver Renewal

Additional Items

- Public Health Emergency – set to end federally on May 11, 2023.
- Medicare Crossover Claims – Update
 - MLTC has confirmed with each of the Tribes to reimburse for the amounts pulled on the most recent reports that were sent over.
 - MLTC is still working with Omaha and Santee to separately identify and reimburse outstanding claims that were not included on MLTC's report.
 - Santee did receive payment
- Next In-Person Consultation Meeting
 - o Hosted by the Santee Tribe on:
 - Thursday, May 18th, 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.
 - Lunch @ 12 p.m.; Meeting from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
 - Please RSVP to the meeting invite, or email Jacob (Jacob.kawamoto@nebraska.gov) or Vietta Swalley if you plan to attend
 - 110 S. Visiting Eagle Street, Niobrara NE 68760
 - o Discussion about RSVPs for the in-person Consultation Meeting
- PHE Data Sharing Agreements
 - o If any of the Tribes are interested in entering into data agreements with MLTC during the PHE to help with beneficiary outreach, reach out to Jacob Kawamoto.
 - o These agreements would facilitate the exchange of beneficiary information during the Public Health Emergency Unwinding for the purposes of helping to ensure continuity of coverage and accurate eligibility re-determinations.

- NEMT
 - o At the August Quarterly Consultation meeting, it was agreed that the MCOs and Tribes would discuss how to improve access to transportation services for Tribal beneficiaries.
 - Any issues enrolling with Maximus?
 - MLTC is currently inquiring with the Nebraska Public Service Commission (PSC) about Tribal exemptions and enrollment requirements for providing NEMT services. MLTC will provide further information to the Tribes as it is available.
- The Tribes need more information on how to proceed with enrolling as NEMT providers through Maximus and the NE Public Service Commission (PSC). Currently, the Tribes are unable to add another provider type (NEMT) through Maximus.
- Tribal Listening Session Feedback
 - o Jacob should touch base with Nate Watson about the Tribal Listening Session and the information shared and discussed there.
 - o There still appear to be contact update issues between the State and MCOs – updates that the Tribes are reporting to the MCOs are not being updated correctly.
 - o Medicaid Advantage (MA) plans and Dual Special Needs Plans (DSNP) continue to be an issue. The MA and DSNP plans do not know when they are talking with Tribal beneficiaries, but the benefits offered through the MA and DSNP plans often have fewer Tribal protections and provisions than normal Medicare and Medicaid benefits.
 - o Old and outdated insurance information is popping up on beneficiaries' claims. Some claims are being rejected due to coordination of benefits (COB), but the third-party or other insurance is no longer active.