

Medical Assistance Advisory Committee
Wednesday, June 13, 2012

State Staff Attending: Vivianne Chaumont, Ruth Vineyard, Jeanne Larsen

Members Present – Dr. Joe Acierno, Dr. Scott Applegate, Heath Boddy, Ed Erickson, Dr. Deb Esser, Lynette Helling, Ron Jensen, John Milligan, Dr. Ed Schneider, Natalie Torrez, Ricky Ann Trobaugh

Dale Mahlman sat in at meeting.

Members Absent – Mary Barry-Magsamen, David Burd, Joni Cover, Terri Melvin, Dr. Dale Zaruba

Members Absent (Unexcused) – Brad Rasmussen

- I. **Review of April 11, 2012 Meeting Minutes** – approved as written.
- II. **Department Issues**
 - A. **MCO Marketing Materials** – The typo on one handout will be corrected. Materials were approved with that one change.
 - B. **EHR Incentive Update** – Ms. Vineyard reported that payments began in May. She highlighted the statistics on page two of the [handout](#) (attached). More providers are registered with CMS but haven't yet registered with Nebraska. Staff will start doing outreach to find out how we can help get them registered with us. Our next steps are to look at meaningful use for the next two stages of the program, developing the audit process, payment process, and attestation process. Contact information is on the handout.
 - C. **Update on Activity to Implement LB 599** – Ms. Chaumont said this is the bill the Legislature passed to offer prenatal services to unborn children of low-income women who are not Medicaid eligible. It's a stand-alone CHIP program, not Medicaid, titled 599 CHIP. We are mirroring Medicaid requirements for eligibility as we put the program together. The only difference is that it will not include presumptive eligibility. On the benefit side the bill states we pay for prenatal services and services related to the pregnancy, but only services related to the pregnancy. Providers need to think about that as we will be doing back end audits on that. These services become available July 19. A Provider Bulletin will be sent this week.

- D. **Claims Inventory Update** – Ms. Larsen reported as of Monday they are down to just under 54,000 instream claims to be processed. Five months ago it was 300,000. However, paper claims have gone up. Those still trying to become 5010 compliant have said they will be by the end of the month. We are holding fast to the June 30 date for 5010 transactions. Next week the final reminder will be sent that after June 30 we will no longer accept 4010. Paper claim changes were made effective May 21 - if claims filed electronically don't have the required NPI and zip + 4 it is automatically rejected. We now reject paper claims that are like that also. Ms. Larsen reminded members that around July 1 a Provider Bulletin will announce a change on January 1, 2013. Providers will no longer have a year to file claims, only 180 days. The same exceptions in regulations today will apply at that time.
- E. **Update on Managed Care Activities** – Ms. Chaumont said clients in 83 counties are currently signing up for managed care. Coventry and Arbor Health are the two contractors. She asked members to tell clients to ask to look at updated networks for both companies because there have been changes to the provider list. Services will begin July 1.

We received lots of input from the two RFIs done for Behavioral Health Managed Care. We are in the process of drafting an RFP to be out July 1 or 15. Our goal is to have the contractor start work January 1. There will be one contract awarded statewide.

- III. **Regulations Review** – There were no comments on any of the regulations.
1. Payment methodology for practitioner-administered injectable medications
 2. Children's mental health – Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTFs)
 3. Eligibility for lawfully present children and pregnant women
 4. Statewide physical health managed care
- IV. **Member Issues** – The RFP for the RAC audits was posted yesterday and should be awarded in November. The Supreme Court will rule on the Health Reform bill late this month. Health Reform Status will be on the August agenda.
- V. **Other Issues** – The next meeting is Wednesday, August 8, 2012, at 5:30pm in Classroom 1 at the Lincoln Medical Education Partnership, 4600 Valley Road, Lincoln, Nebraska.
- VI. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.