

Medicaid Reform Council
March 23, 2011 – 9:00am
Conference Room LLF

Call to Order

Ms. Karloff brought the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Open Meetings Law

Copies are available.

Roll Call

Self introductions were made. Present – Wanda Caffrey, Tim Cox, Gayle-ann Douglas, Alan Garey, Doris Karloff, Kathy Mallatt, Deb Shoemaker

Absent – Jim Blue, Senator Kathy Campbell, Jessica Meeske, Jack Vetter

DHHS Staff Present: Vivianne M. Chaumont, Jenifer Roberts-Johnson, Cindy Kadavy, Kay Wenzl

Approve Minutes of December 8, 2010 – Ms. Mallatt made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Douglas seconded her motion. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Eligibility Criteria – Ms. Roberts-Johnson gave a high level presentation of eligibility criteria for Nebraska Medicaid. She distributed copies of a Medicaid Eligibility Categories information document. Ms. Roberts-Johnson and Ms. Chaumont responded to questions. Ms. Roberts-Johnson will get information on the share of cost for the Medically Needy Program to members.

Budget – Ms. Chaumont briefly explained the budget process and the Governor's budget proposal for Medicaid. She listed how the Appropriations Committee's proposed budget for Medicaid differs from the Governor's proposal.

http://www.budget.state.ne.us/das_budget/budget11/executivebook.pdf

<http://www.unicam.state.ne.us/pdf/reports/fiscal/2011prelim.pdf>

Options for Care Coordination for the Elderly – Ms. Chaumont said Nebraska has managed care for other programs, but not for any long-term care programs. Bror Hultgren (Senior Vice President with Long Term Care Programs) and Cathy Anderson

(Vice President of Business Development who works with states as they explore opportunities in need of long term care programs), with UnitedHealthcare, presented on core concepts of managed care for the long-term care population and programs in other states. Ms. Chaumont stated we are beginning to look at expanding the current managed care programs to include additional population.

Other – The next meeting will be scheduled in mid to late June after the Legislature has adjourned. Roxie Anderson will send an email with several dates, asking for members' availability. Ms. Chaumont asked for agenda items for the June meeting. There were none today, so Ms. Karloff asked that members email Ms. Chaumont with any topics for the next meeting's agenda.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:50am.

Minutes prepared by Department of Health and Human Services staff. Minutes are intended to provide only a general summary of Council proceedings.