



Medical Home Advisory Council Meeting
Lincoln Medical Education Partnership
MINUTES – March 26, 2013



Members in attendance: Dr. Carnazzo, Dr. Knowles, Dr. Werner, Dr. Wergin, Sen. Gloor,

Members not in attendance: Dr. Darst, Dr. Woodruff

DHHS Staff in attendance: Margaret Brockman, Susie Lyness, Stacey Dangler

Approval of October 24, 2012 Meeting Minutes and Approval of Agenda

The meeting convened at 1:08 pm. The agenda and the meeting minutes were approved as written.

Staff Update

Margaret Brockman presented the staff update.

- Susan Buettner has resigned and a new Deputy Director will be hired.
- Enhanced primary care payments implemented January 1, 2013 to last for 2 years.
- Managed Care Plans are implementing the Medical Home in several practices as part of their contract. Each year additional practices will be added.
- PMPM – (see handout)

Discussion with Pilot Practices

Dr. Shaffer with Kearney Clinic discussed his summary of the Patient Centered Medical Home experience. Please see green handout for details. Dr. Werner asked Dr. Shaffer if there had been any changes since the pilot project has ended. Dr. Shaffer said that no changes to the practice had been made, that they were pushing forward. The practice treated all patients as medical home, not just Medicaid patients. The care coordinator is still employed but anticipates change with population evaluations. He believes that Kearney Clinic is not yet a mature PCMH but feels that TransforMed was helpful. The Medical Home pilot was excellent prep for their EMR(Electronic Medical Records), it would have been a lot harder without it.

Plum Creek Medical group was represented by Chrystal Dowling, care coordinator, via telephone. Please see yellow handout for details. She stated that the consistency with patients and the standards for nurses has been very beneficial. Plum Creek also treats all patients as medical home.

When the practices were asked if they would do it again, Plum Creek said absolutely they would. Kearney indicated because of the reluctance of some of the doctors in the practice and that they

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haven't "bought into" the medical home, they probably wouldn't. It was agreed that the After Visit Summaries were the biggest change for the doctors.

BCBS Update

Dr. Filipi presented the BCBS update. There has been an increase of 200-350 doctors into Medical Home scattered across Nebraska, with some 50,000 patients. BCBS is underwhelmed with the results in regards to diabetes and hypertension. He said that as a whole numbers haven't come up for the preventative. He said that they are spending more money and think care is better, but it isn't the golden key. He isn't excited about the market at present, as brokers aren't buying in yet, not seeing marketing increases.

TransforMed Update

Colleen Stack reported via telephone for TransforMed. There are several reports received just yesterday for the council to review. (See handouts). Colleen said that she would be happy to participate in another conference call if the council wanted after reviewing all of the reports.

Legislative Update

Senator Gloor provided the following legislative update:

LR 513, the interim study with the goal of encouraging private payers to participate in PCMH voluntarily and to create a multi-payer system that was discussed at the last council meeting is being held in committee and not being pushed to move forward at this time. They are having monthly meetings and there was discussion of a NASHP technical assistance, 18 month grant to overcome the anti-trust issues. A state agency will need to oversee the project. Margaret Kohl, Dr. Rauner, and Dr. Esser are going to Denver next week for a conference regarding this issue.

LB 239 has become a place holder for PCMH.

Senator Gloor feels that a report needs to be ready to present to the legislative committee by late October, or early November even if it isn't a final product. It is up to the council to decide what to report. Some suggestions were:

- Better health outcomes
- Cost effective/savings
- This is how it works
- These were our results

Review of DHHS Data

Stacey Dangler presented the DHHS Data. (See handouts). Stacey indicated at this point that the numbers will be updated but no new data will be added. Traditionally the later claims that are filed are more complicated. The council asked if outside data could be collected to show the overall trends for the period of the pilot. The council also asked to break the period into 7 quarters. There were concerns about the number of members going down by 1/3 after the start of managed care, and how to appropriately show that.

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Table 7 – this one really shows the savings but need to add the number of members.

It was decided that data collection will stop at the end of May so that the report can move forward. The council asked who would be writing the report. It was indicated that the quality measures unit would be the lead and that several people in the department would be working on it.

Next Meetings

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at 1:00pm at the State office building in Lincoln.

No Public Comment

Dr. Werner adjourned the meeting at 4:43 pm.