



Medical Care Advisory Committee  
January 27, 2022  
4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Central

Nebraska State Office Building – ~~Room LLB (Lower Level)~~  
Due to technical difficulties, meeting was relocated to 5<sup>th</sup> floor Director's conference room  
Dial-in option: **888-820-1398**  
Attendee Code: **3460266#**

Meeting Minutes in red:

Committee Members in Attendance:

In-person: Frank Herzog, Karma Boll, Jay Fleecs, Amy Fish  
Via phone: Dr. Jessica Meeske, MaryAnn Schiefen, Staci Hubert, Amy Nordness

1. Welcome & Director's Update – **Kevin Bagley, Director, Medicaid & Long-Term Care, DHHS**
2. Medicaid Business Updates – **Kevin Bagley**
  - a. Enrollment Updates
    - i. Director mentioned eventual Public Health Emergency unwind which would likely see decrease in enrollment as many flexibilities end. Still many details to come, however it is an important item for committee to be aware of.
    - ii. Committee interest in homeless outreach, discussion of ways to meaningfully connect with community partners to address homelessness and other social determinants of health.
    - iii. Committee interest in HHA progress, would like to see outreach to those who are eligible.
  - b. Rules, Regulations, and State Plan Amendments
  - c. Discussion: Other data points that would be useful to the committee?
    - i. MCO comparison data is very useful, should be featured more publicly. Discussion about improving ease of access to measures such as MCO comparison data.
    - ii. Interest in data overview of health infrastructure: urban versus rural; broad strokes of identified health needs across the state.
    - iii. MCO performance dashboard was mentioned: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Heritage-Health-Dashboard.aspx>
  - d. Medicaid Strategic Plan
3. Special Topic at next meeting - **Kevin Bagley**

- i. MCAC members are invited to identify special areas of interest, MLTC staff will prepare deep dive presentations on that topic and answer questions.
- 4. Conflicts of Interest– **Nate Watson, Deputy Director, Medicaid & Long-Term Care, DHHS**
- 5. Ratify MCAC Bylaws – **committee members**
  - i. Frank Herzog moved to ratify bylaws; seconded by Karma Boll
    - 1. Unanimously approved
- 6. Nominate MCAC Chair and Vice-Chair – **committee members**
  - i. Chair nominations: Dr. Jessica Meeske
    - 1. All in favor, none opposed
  - ii. Vice chair nominations: Karma Boll
    - 1. All in favor, none opposed
- 7. Determine next meeting time and location – **committee members**
  - i. Chair Meeske, Vice-Chair Boll, and Director Bagley will prepare survey of members to identify preferred times, locations, cadence, and length for future meetings throughout the year
- 8. Open Discussion – **committee members**
  - i. Members of the public are able to present to the committee. Committee members can make time on the agenda to have others come present.
  - ii. Non-committee member asked a question about committee composition and if applications are still being accepted?
    - 1. Membership is divided between providers and advocates/beneficiaries – the committee is not complete and applications are still open. Particularly with regard to advocates/beneficiaries MLTC is still looking to fill positions on MCAC.
  - iii. 5 minute discussion of listening sessions
- 9. Closing – **Kevin Bagley**