

OREGON MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 23, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**General Services Building,
Salem, Oregon**

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Carole Romm, RN, MPA; Jim Russell, MSW; Karen Berkowitz, JD; Rhonda Busek; Lenore Bijan; Ellen Gradison, JD; Mike Shirtcliff, DMD; Thomas Turek, MD; Rick Wopat, MD

PHONE PARTICIPANTS: None

PRESENTERS: Judy Mohr Peterson, Susan Otter, Nicole Merrithew, Ralph Summers, Darren Coffman

STAFF: Nicole Merrithew, Kai Guterman

VISITORS: Dayna Steringer, Rebecca Robinson, Meghan Caughey

TOPIC	Key Discussion Points	Follow-up Action	Responsible Party
Approval of Minutes	A motion was made to approve the minutes as written. Minutes were approved.		
Legislative Update	Kai Guterman provided an update on the 2011 MAC legislative bill tracker document, and introduced Medicaid related bills to the Committee, which have been moving through the legislative process, including HB 2464 and SB 433. See handouts: http://www.oregon.gov/OHPPR/MAC/docs/Meeting_Materials/2011_Materials/MAC_032311_Materials.pdf	Update and distribute the MAC legislative tracker every 2 weeks.	Kai Guterman
Health System Transformation	Judy Mohr-Peterson, Assistant Oregon Health Authority Director, Division of Medical Assistance Programs, provided an overview of the current work of the Health Systems Transformation Team (HSTT). ➤ Tonight will be the final of 8 meetings to develop a legislative concept for Coordinated Care Organizations (CCOs), which will then be sent to the legislature for further development. ➤ CCOs will be organizations of providers that will accept the risks and costs associated with delivering care to a set of patients. These organizations will be allowed some flexibility to account for regional variations and other variations in their client populations. Teams of care providers will often include physical health, mental health, oral health, and vision care providers. ➤ CCOs will operate within a risk-adjusted global budget to provide for all the care needs of its patient population.		

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<p>MAC opportunity for comment on HSTT</p>	<p>Nicole Merrithew, MAC Director, facilitated discussion for MAC feedback to the HSTT proposal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ MAC members expressed concern that the HSTT legislative concept did not incorporate enough of the Long-Term Care system to address quality interests and effective cost management. ➤ Members agreed to provide feedback to be summarized into a letter to HSTT to express this concern. 	<p>Draft a letter voicing the MAC's concerns to the work of HSTT.</p>	<p>Nicole Merrithew</p>
<p>Electronic Health Record Incentives</p>	<p>Susan Otter, Project Director, Oregon Medicaid Health Information Technology (MHIT) Project, discussed current efforts to connect care providers who accept Medicaid or Medicare with electronic health record (EHR) incentives, provided through the Office of the National Coordinator for HIT.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ MHIT is working with O-HITEC, Oregon's Regional Extension Center to develop outreach efforts to providers to ensure greater adoption of EHRs. ➤ The project is utilizing mailers, a more user-friendly website, and partnerships to help with communications to providers. Additionally, outreach efforts will continue to target clinics, especially Federally Qualifies Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health clinics (RHCs). ➤ See handouts: http://www.oregon.gov/OHPPR/MAC/docs/Meeting_Materials/2011_Materials/MAC_032311_Materials.pdf 		
<p>Patient-Centered Primary Care Home Initiative / State Plan Amendment</p>	<p>Nicole Merrithew and Ralph Summers, Policy Advisor, Oregon Health Authority, discussed work under way to apply for a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to amend the State Medicaid Plan, to provide services through "health homes," a model of care in which teams of providers meet the individualized care needs of patients.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Oregon Patient-Centered Primary Care Home standards fit with the Health Home concept, and will be used to roll-out this program. ➤ The presenters referred MAC members to the State Medicaid Director's Letter (SMDL) from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), which outlines the Health Homes program, and its associated 90:10 federal match rate for services meeting this definition. ➤ The MAC will be solicited in the future for on-going feedback as plans become more complete. ➤ See handouts: http://www.oregon.gov/OHPPR/MAC/docs/Meeting_Materials/2011_Materials/MAC_032311_Materials.pdf 		

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Guiding Principles and Medicaid Services discussion	Nicole facilitated a discussion of the recently finalized MAC Guiding Principles document, in relation to proposed cuts to Medicaid services. Darren Coffman, Health Services Commission Director, answered questions about the Current Prioritized List of Medicaid services, which ranks services in order based upon treatment effectiveness and impacts to health. ➤ MAC members discussed concerns about services below the proposed cut line, and suggested strategies for submitting feedback or testimony to Medicaid leadership.	Draft a letter / testimony to Medicaid leadership to voice concerns about service cuts.	Nicole Merrithew
Public Comment	None		
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.		

Next MAC meeting:

Wednesday April 27, 2011, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Oregon State Library Room 10, 250 Winter St. NE, Salem, Oregon