

MARYLAND MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE: **Monday**, January 23, 2023
TIME: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
LOCATION: GoToWebinar

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**PLEASE NOTE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON MONDAYS DURING THE
LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

AGENDA

- I. Departmental Report
- II. Legislative Session Overview
- III. PHE Unwinding
- IV. Waiver, State Plan and Regulations Changes
- V. Public Comments
- VI. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Monday, February 27, 2023, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. EST

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**MARYLAND MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

November 17, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Shannon Hall
Mr. Paul Miller
Ms. Nicole McCann
Ms. Erin Dorrien
Mr. William Webb
Ms. Nora Hoban
Ms. Stephanie Scharpf
Ms. Vickie Walters
Ms. Jessica Dickerson
The Hon. Ariana Kelly
The Hon. Matthew Morgan

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Marie McLendon
Rachel Dodge, M.D.
Winifred Booker, D.D.S
Mr. Ben Steffen
Mr. Floyd Hartley
Theodora Balis, M.D.
The Hon. Pat Young
The Hon. Antonio Hayes
The Hon. J.B. Jennings
Kathryn Fiddler, DNP
Adeteju Ogunrinde, M.D.
Mr. Kenneth Garove
Ms. Diane McComb

Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee

November 17, 2022

Call to Order and Approval of Minutes

Ms. Nicole McCann, Chair, called to order the meeting of the Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee (MMAC) at 1:05 p.m. Committee members approved the minutes from the October 27, 2022, meeting as written.

Departmental Report and COVID-19 Updates

Ms. Tricia Roddy, Deputy Medicaid Director, provided the Committee with a combined Departmental report and COVID-19 update.

Ms. Roddy reported that she attended the National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD) meeting earlier in the week. She attended the state-only day and reported that a large part of the discussion focused on what the future looks like for Medicaid public health emergency unwinding and redeterminations.

The 60-day notice from the U.S Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that would have notified states that the PHE was going to end was not sent. The working assumption is that we will receive another 90-day renewal that will occur before January 11, 2023. This means the PHE will end on April 11, 2023, and redeterminations will not start until May 1, 2023.

There has been some discussion that there might be some Congressional fix which will focus on the federal matching assistance being provided to states during the PHE. There is some push from states to continue to receive an additional federal matching assistance while we go through the unwinding and completing the redetermination process. The law allows states to receive the 6.2 percent matching funds through the quarter in which the PHE ends. This is slated to be June 30, 2023. States have been advocating that we should receive some assistance even beyond June 2023. The position is - states are covering more people than otherwise would be eligible and states should get some additional help.

The redetermination process in Maryland will be completed over a 12-month period after the PHE ends.

The Department, together with the HealthChoice MCOs, have hired a consultant- GKV. You may be familiar with GKV, who provided a lot of the COVID marketing materials for the Department. The Department will obtain the Wes Moore administration's input on these materials and campaign. This will be one of the top priorities of the Department to get this in front of the new administration.

States do need a level of certainty going forward as to when the PHE unwinding is really going to happen. Medicaid programs are large organizations, and it is getting difficult to make changes quickly - so a level of certainty going forward is key. This is the primary message going out to the federal government from NAMD. The Department will continue to provide updates as we receive them.

Medicaid enrollment has continued to increase to 1,751,308. We continue to be unable to disenroll participants while we remain under the federal PHE.

HSCRC Presentation: Maryland Total Cost of Care Model

Ms. Erin Schurmann, Chief of Provider Alignment and Special Projects, Health Services Cost Review Commission, gave the Committee an update on performance under the Total Cost of Care model and the plans and timeline for expanding the model in the future (see attached presentation).

Ms. Roddy requested Committee members to start thinking about what alignment means to them and what that would look like with Medicaid and the Total Cost of Care. Please reach out to the Medicaid team with your thoughts.

The Committee requested a refresher presentation on the Total Cost of Care Model. Ms. Schurmann agreed to return and provide a model review at a future meeting.

Waiver, State Plan and Regulation Changes

Ms. Alison Donley, Medicaid Provider Services, gave the Committee a status update on waivers, regulations, and state plan amendment changes (see attached charts).

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

Ms. McCann adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.