

# **Community-Based Providers Shared Savings Workgroup Meeting Agenda**

**Thursday, September 9, 2020**

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (Central time)**

## **Zoom**

**Present:** Vickee Anderson, Anthony Erickson, Kathy Bad Moccasin, Dan Cross, Laurie Gill, Representative (now Senator) Jean Hunhoff, Melissa Klemann, Dayle Knutson, Cassie Long, Samantha Hynes, Mark Limberg, Tom Martinec, Melony Bertram, Tim Rave, Bill Snyder, Thomas Syverson, Tatiana Johnson, Terry Dosch, Yvette Thomas, Brenda Tidball-Zeltinger, Virgena Wieseler, Amy Witt, Tiffany Wolfgang, Joey Younie, Danielle Hamann, Sarah Aker, Mandy Doherty Karber, Bret Hoffman, Jennifer Geuther, Deb Fischer-Clemens,

### **Review of the June 11, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Melissa Klemann reviewed the minutes. There were no questions or comments.

### **Status of Care Coordination Agreements**

There have been no changes to the status of care coordination agreements (CCA) in the last year. Kathy Bad Moccasin was asked for an update from IHS regarding the status of CCAs. Kathy indicated that Mr. Driving Hawks priorities have all been COVID-19 related and that IHS has no additional update on CCAs.

Representative Hunhoff asked if DSS was getting feedback from providers or facilitates about CCAs and the status of referrals. Cassie Long provided a summary of feedback the IPA nurses have received while working on referrals.

### **Status of Referrals**

Cassie Long reviewed a summary of all of the referrals the IPA nurses have received as of August 18, 2020. The number of referrals this year has been lower than previous years due to COVID-19. The number of referrals each month though seem to be picking up. The IPA nurses continue to try and find additional ways they can support IHS Service Units.

Representative Hunhoff asked about satisfaction with CCAs, referrals, and IPA nurses. It is important to know if processes are working, and what the quality of care is. She requested a summary of how things are working. Melissa asked the providers present for any feedback, there were no providers that offered any feedback. Laurie Gill indicated that DSS would look at the information we are currently collecting and develop a process for getting provider feedback.

### **IPA Update**

Bill Snyder provided an update on the mid-level IPA position. DSS received 12 applicants for the mid-level IPA positions. The initial round of screening has been completed; staff are working on scheduling interviews with qualified applicants.

### **FMAP Savings**

Bill Snyder provided an update on the year end shared savings report. The federal match was increased as a result of federal legislation passed to address the COVID-19 public health emergency

(PHE), the amount of shared savings was adjusted as a result of change to the federal match rate. The savings appear lower because of the increased federal match.

Rep Hunhoff asked how long the increased federal match will be in place. Bill explained that it is tied to the PHE, as of September 9 the PHE is set to expire October 23, 2020. The PHE can be ended or extended by the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services.

### **FY2020 Shared Savings Payments**

Bill Snyder reported that we have received federal approval to make payments for the federal share of the shared savings payment for hospitals and nursing facilities. Shared savings payment have already been made for the state share of the savings generated. DSS anticipates making the federal share payment in September 2020. DSS is still waiting on approval from CMS to make the federal share payment for Community Support Providers.

### **FY2021 Shared Savings Contracts**

The current calculation period for shared savings payments was May 1 through April 30 with payments needing to be made before the end of the fiscal year. Due to the amount of time it takes to calculate payments and get federal approval to make the payment DSS is moving to a calculation period that is based on the calendar year. Moving to a calendar year will allow more time for calculating shared savings payments and getting federal approval before the end of the state fiscal year. In order to move to this schedule there will need to be a transition time where the calculation period will only be 8 months.

Rep Hunhoff asked if the calculation for payments is including the increased 6.2% FMPA during the PHS. The federal match and the shared savings payment calculation does take into account the increased 6.2% FMAP.

Melony Bertram asked about the CSP federal match and when they anticipate getting approval to make those payments. Bill reported that CMS is actively reviewing the request, DSS hopes to have an answer soon.

### **Next Steps**

DSS will work on gathering satisfaction information and other feedback from those that are part of CCA and the referral process.

### **Future Meetings**

Melissa Klemann is looking for feedback from the group regarding these meetings. Most of the discussion the last few meetings have been the state providing updates on what has been happening. Is the group comfortable going to an email update as opposed to scheduling a face to face or virtual meeting? Deb Fischer Clemens suggested keeping a short meeting to hear from people and give people an opportunity to ask questions.

DSS will look at scheduling a meeting in December or possibly scheduling a meeting when people are in town for session. Deb Fischer Clemens would prefer a January in person meeting. Representative Hunhoff mentioned it is hard for members of the legislature to attend during session because they are usually in committee meetings.