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Department of Health Care
Policy & Financing

Medical Services Board

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD

303 East 17th Avenue 11th Floor Conference Room, Denver, CO 80203
February 14, 2020

Call to Order

Ms. Moorer called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Roll Call

The Board Coordinator called the roll. There were sufficient members for a quorum with ten members participating.

A. Members Present

Christy Blakely, Cecile Fraley, Patricia Givens, Bregitta Hughes, Jessica Kuhns, Charolette Lippolis, Amanda Moorer, An Nguyen, Donna Roberts and David Pump.

B. Members Excused

Simon Hambidge

C. Staff Present

Tracy Johnson, Medicaid Director; Jennifer Weaver, Attorney General; and Chris Sykes, Board Coordinator

Announcements

Ms. Moorer announced the next Medical Services Board Meeting will be held at 303 East 17th Avenue 11th Floor Conference Room, Denver, CO 80203 on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

It is the policy of this Board and the Department to remind everyone in attendance that this facility is private property. Please do not block the doors or stand around the edges of the room. Please silence cell phones while in the meeting room.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Pump moved for the approval of the December minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hughes. The minutes were approved, 9:0.

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Legislative Update – Jill Mullen

Rules

A. Initial Approval Agenda

Document 01, MSB 18-01-09-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Rule concerning Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives, Section 8.300.5

Russell Zigler, Operations Division, and Melanie Reece, Benefits Management Division, Raine Henry, presented the rule and provided a background of how the payment is calculated for Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives. Federal approval now has the payment exclude the cost of the LARC device. The cost is on a fee schedule, not spread over all hospitals.

Board Discussion – Board discussion included this change only applying to Medicaid members.

Public Testimony – NA

Ms. Blakely moved for the initial approval of Document 01. Ms. Kuhns seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 01, 10:0.

Document 02, MSB 19-09-05-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Act Rule concerning Outpatient Speech Therapy, Section 8.200.3.D.2

Russell Zigler, Operations Division, and Alex Weichselbaum, Benefits Management Division, presented the rule and explained the rule allows flexibility in how documentation is submitted to the Department, provided it has the necessary elements.

Board Discussion – Board discussion included a review of the outpatient speech therapy benefit history. A dialogue of how a review of a benefit is initiated was discussed.

Public Testimony – Kyle Delahanty, Speech Language Pathology – Over the age of 21 drop in coverage is not good, there is still a need.

Ms. Blakely moved for the initial approval of Document 02. Ms. Hughes seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 02, 10:0.

Document 03, MSB 19-12-06-B, Revision to the Medical Assistance Act Rule concerning Community Mental Health Centers, Section 8.750.3.B

Russell Zigler, Operations Division, and Alex Weichselbaum, Benefits Management Division, presented the rule and explained the proposed revisions to the rule removes the state limit of visitations. The rule will now match policy.

Board Discussion – NA

Public Testimony – NA

Ms. Hughes moved for the final adoption of Document 03. Ms. Blakely seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 03, 10:0.

Document 04, MSB 19-12-06-B, Revision to the Medical Assistance Act Rule concerning Durable Medical Equipment - Oxygen and Oxygen Equipment, Sections 8.580 & 8.585

Russell Zigler, Operations Division, and Richard Delaney, Benefits Management Division, presented the rule and explained the benefit coverage standard must be added to the rule and document retention is also revised. The rule is consolidated for clarity.

Board Discussion – Board discussion included reimbursement and Skilled Care Facilities treated as home usage.

Public Testimony – NA

Dr. Nguyen moved for the initial approval of Document 04. Ms. Blakely seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 04, 10:0.

Document 05, MSB 19-02-12-B, Revision to the Medical Assistance Rule concerning Hospital Back Up Level of Care, Section 8.470

Heleena Hufnagel, Office of Community Living, and Richard Clark, Office of Community Living, presented the rule and provided a background of the Hospital Back Up program.

Board Discussion – Board discussion included clarification and a revision to the rule language.

Public Testimony – NA

Mr. Pump moved for the initial approval of Document 05. Dr. Nguyen seconded the motion.

The Board voted the initial approval of Document 05, 10:0.

Consent Agenda Discussion

Ms. Blakely motioned to add documents 01, 02, 03, 04 and 05 to the Consent Agenda. Ms. Hughes seconded the motion.

The Board voted 10:0

B. Closing Motion

Ms. Blakely moved to close the rules portion of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kuhns.

Rule Preview

- Children's Habilitation Residential Program Waiver Updates – Michele Craig, Complex and Supportive Services Section

Open Comments

Bethany Pray – Colorado Center on Law and Policy

Department Updates

- Department Updates/Questions – Tracy Johnson, Medicaid Director

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Medical Services Board is at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 303 East 17th Avenue 11th Floor Conference Room, Denver, CO 80203.

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