

Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF)

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT KICK-OFF

Certified Professional Midwives/Direct Entry Midwives (CPM/DEM)

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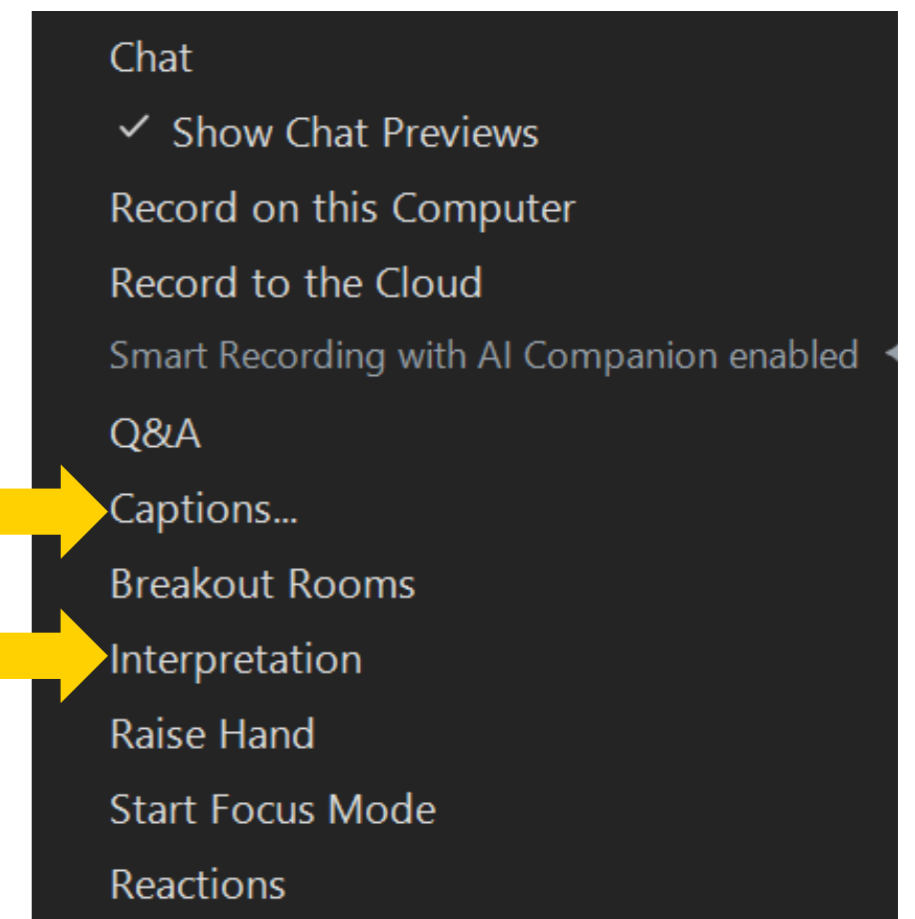
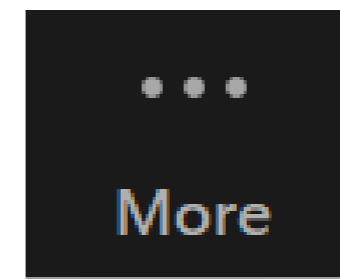
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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

Please put your name, pronouns and any organization or title you may want to share in the chat

Meeting Logistics

- Please put questions in the chat during the meeting
- This meeting is being recorded for transparency and to keep track of next steps. It will be posted to our website along with these slides.
- Closed captioning services and Spanish interpretation are available through the Zoom toolbar



Agenda

- Intro/Welcome
- Background
- Implementation Plan and Decision Making
- Discussion
- Conclusion and Next Steps

Meeting Goal

Communicate provider/member needs and common practice to influence implementation plan



Overall Goal

Medicaid coverage of
CPM/DEMs by April 2024
Home Births - Fall

HCPF Background

What We Do

The Department of Health Care Policy & Financing administers Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program), Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) and other health care programs for Coloradans who qualify.

Medicaid covers
42% of all Births in Colorado

Who We Serve



1,450,870
Medicaid Members



62,550
CHP+ Members
61,245 Children & 1,305 Prenatal

CPM/DEM Background

CPM/DEM Overview

- Practice in Free Standing Birth Centers (FSBCs) or Home Births
- Scope of Practice:
 - Outlined in DORA
 - Perinatal support (prenatal, labor and delivery, postpartum period)
 - Care, education, counseling and support
 - Physical exams, administer medications, order and interpret lab/diagnostic tests
 - Do not prescribe medications

Medicaid Coverage of Midwives

Certified Nurse Midwives (CNM):
Covered

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Certified Midwives (CM):
Covered Summer 2024

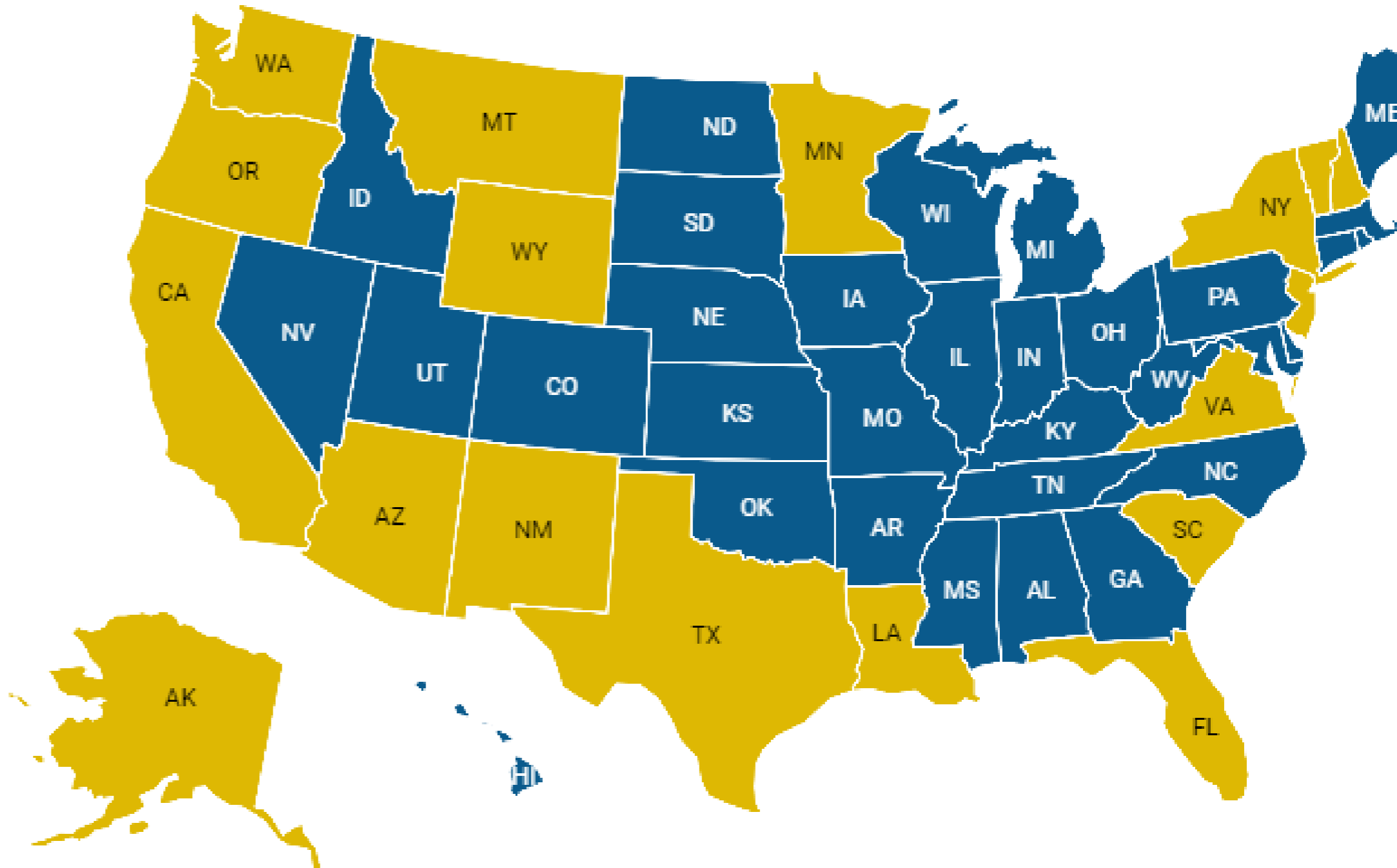
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CPM/DEM:
Covered Spring 2024

National CPM Medicaid Coverage

As of April 2023,

19 states
reimburse both
CNMs and CPMs



● Only Certified Nurse-Midwives Reimbursed (32 states) ● Both Certified Nurse-Midwives and Midwives Reimbursed (19 states)

Colorado Medicaid Coverage of CPM/DEMs

Implementation Process

Project Timeline

Fall
2023

Winter 2024

Implementation
April 2024

Post-
Implementation

- Identify Compliance and Systems Impact
- Internal Preparations for Stakeholder Engagement
- Submit Public Notices

- Stakeholder Engagement Meetings
- Finalize Billing Logistics
- Submit SPA to CMS

- Provider/Member Communications
- Finalize Systems Updates
- Begin Reimbursing Services

- Continued Communications
- Finalize State & Federal Compliance
- **PHASE II, Fall 2024: Home Birth Coverage**

Enrollment and Billing Temperature Check

In the chat, please input where you feel you are in terms of familiarity with the following Medicaid processes on a scale of 1-10 with 10 being “expert”

- ✓ Enrolling as a Medicaid provider
- ✓ Billing Medicaid

Example: Enrollment-5 Billing-5

Colorado Enrollment and Billing

Become a CPM



Enroll in Medicaid



**Get Reimbursed by
Medicaid**

- Review [DORA requirements](#)

- View [Provider Enrollment Website](#)
- Meet Medicaid enrollment requirements (and any [provider type specific requirements](#) (on website soon))

- Submit claims per [billing manual](#) guidance (posted soon)
- See HCPF's [provider resources](#) for claims support, questions, or incorrectly denied claims

Discussion:

What do you want us to know?

What does the CPM landscape look like?

What are opportunities and barriers?

Billing Policy

Key Points

- ❖ CPM/DEM scope of practice requirements outlined in DORA
- ❖ Reimbursement matches Medicaid rates for other providers
- ❖ MMIS vendor (Gainwell) provides client support along with HCPF billing manuals

Discussion

- Feedback on Medicaid's billing processes?
- Any barriers you may have concerns about?
- Other feedback?
- *What would be helpful for us to know?*

Home Births

Key Points

- ❖ Medicaid currently covers home births for specific provider types
- ❖ Need for solidifying transfer criteria and billing
- ❖ Planning for coverage in Fall 2024 for CPM/DEMs

Discussion

- Ideal structure for home birth reimbursement?
- Knowledge of how other state's Medicaid programs cover home births and CPM/DEMs?
- Other feedback?

Liability Insurance

Key Points

- ❖ Liability insurance required for physicians and nurses (DORA)
- ❖ Department is not liable (HCPF Provider Agreement)
- ❖ Some states do/don't require liability insurance (ex NM and WA)

Discussion

- Resources you've seen that can make liability insurance more accessible?
- Other feedback?

Questions?





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