



**Accountable Care Collaborative  
Program Improvement Advisory Committee**

Meeting Minutes

**June 16, 2021 // 9:30 A.M. to 12:15 P.M.**

**1. Welcome, Introductions, & Minutes Approval**

Kiara Kuenzler welcomed members to the Program Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC) meeting and called the meeting to order at 9:33AM.

The following people were in attendance: Catania Jones, Christina Suh, Daniel Darting, Donald Moore, Ian Engle, Joanna Martinson, Joseph Prezioso, Lila Cummings, Steve Johnson, Tom Keller, Wendy Nading, Maribel Sandoval, Dede de Percin, Kiara Kuenzler, Maria Zubia, Kelly Phillips-Henry, and Margaret Huffman.

*A quorum of voting members was present.*

Kiara presented the May meeting minutes for approval, and members voted to approve. There were two abstentions. May meeting minutes were approved.

Kiara introduced Dr. Margaret Huffman who will be taking over Dan Casey’s spot as a PIAC voting member. Dr. Huffman is the Director of Nursing Services for Jefferson County Public Health and will be representing Region 6.

Action Items:

- None

Parking Lot Items

- None

**2. Legislative Update**

Kiara introduced Jo Donlin, the Department’s Legislative Liaison, to provide the [highlights of the recent legislative session](#). Jo reviewed the five main bills the Department put forth, which were all signed into law.

<a href="#">Telemedicine Policy Refinements (HB21-1256)</a>	Allows HCPF to promulgate rules for entities that provide services predominantly or exclusively via telemedicine.
<a href="#">Case Management Redesign (HB21-1187)</a>	Allows HCPF to build a high performing conflict free case management system that serves all people with all types of disabilities (cross-disability).

<a href="#">Skilled Nursing Facility Demo (HB21-1227)</a>	Permits HCPF to develop criteria for authorizing the expansion of new skilled nursing Medicaid facilities.
<a href="#">Remote Supports HCBS Waivers (SB21-210)</a>	Adds remote supports for adults in Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waivers.
<a href="#">Prescription Drug Importation (SB21-123)</a>	Expands HCPF ability to import prescription drugs from other countries beyond Canada, if allowed under federal law and regulations.

Jo also mentioned all the Department's other legislative priorities, some lead by other partners, were also passed.

Other Select Bills of Interest to HCPF:

- [Establish Behavioral Health Administration \(HB21-1097\)](#)
- [Authorize Federal Stimulus to transform Home and Community Based Services \(SB21-286\)](#)
- [Establish Prescription Drug Affordability Board \(SB21-175\)](#)
- [Create Shared Inter-Department Health Equity Plan \(SB21-181\)](#)
- [Create an Affordable Colorado Option Insurance Plan \(HB21-1232\)](#)
- [Require Health Care Facilities to Screen Uninsured Patients for Public Program Coverage \(HB21-1198\)](#)

Jo took questions from members and offered to send links to agenda bills, the plan sent to CMS for initial approval regarding the HCBS waiver, and information on [Senate Bill 137](#). If there are further questions, please contact [jo.donlin@state.co.us](mailto:jo.donlin@state.co.us).

#### Action Items:

- Jo will send links to agenda bills, the plan sent to CMS for initial approval (HCBS waiver), and information on [Senate Bill 137](#).

#### Parking Lot Items

- None.

### **3. Public Health Emergency Update**

Maria Zubia introduced Marivel Klueckman, the Department's Eligibility Division Director, to give an [update on the Public Health Emergency](#) (PHE). Marivel stated that there are three main initiatives the Department will be implementing to unwind eligibility components that were employed during the PHE.

Marivel discussed the sending of renewal packets, which will require member signatures. Signatures can be captured through various avenues in order to increase ease, but the lack of



a signature could lead to termination of services. Marivel is asking stakeholders for input/ideas on how to be proactive in preparing members for this major change.

Marivel presented on questions that will drive operational plans for ending the PHE. If you have any input for those questions, please contact [Marivel.Kleuckman@state.co.us](mailto:Marivel.Kleuckman@state.co.us) or [Kim.vanderscoff-eisen@state.co.us](mailto:Kim.vanderscoff-eisen@state.co.us)

#### Action Items:

- PIAC will send Marivel input/ideas on how to be productive in preparing members for the required signatures on renewal packets.
- PIAC will review Marivel's [brainstorming slide](#) and provide input to Marivel or Kim.
- Marivel will send [communications regarding ending of the PHE](#) for members to review.

#### Parking Lot Items

- None.

### **4. Post Award Forum**

Matt Sundeen introduced Jeff Jaskunas, the Department's Child Health Program Plus (CHP+) Program Manager, and Amy Ryan, the CHP+ Contract and Program Administrator to discuss outcomes of [Colorado's Title XXI Section 1115 Waiver Adult Prenatal Demonstration](#). This demonstration provides funding through Title XXI at an increased federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for providing services through the Medicaid state plan for eligible members.

Jeff discussed prior demonstration results, including a decrease in prenatal care for the Medicaid population, which may have been influenced by the limited evaluation design. Jeff introduced a new, more robust, evaluation design and three new policy objectives.

The new evaluation design will look at outcomes and responses across several populations, including the Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), the Regional Accountable Entities (RAEs), members, eligible clients within the demonstration, and providers.

If there are additional questions or comments regarding the new evaluation design, please submit them to [HCPF.PrenatalDemonstration@state.co.us](mailto:HCPF.PrenatalDemonstration@state.co.us), [Jeffrey.Jaskunas@state.co.us](mailto:Jeffrey.Jaskunas@state.co.us), or [Amy.Ryan@state.co.us](mailto:Amy.Ryan@state.co.us).

#### Action Items:

- PIAC will provide feedback on the demonstration's new evaluation design to Jeff and Amy.

#### Parking Lot Items

- None



## 5. PIAC Core Competencies 101

Matt introduced Matt Lanphier, the Department's Program Operations Lead, to review [ACC operational data](#). There has been an increase in ACC enrollment over the past year, with about 1-2% growth for each region over the past month. There has been a decrease in some Primary Care Medical Provider (PCMP) networks due to consolidations or closures. Data on expenditures, key performance indicators (KPI), and behavioral health incentives are also available.

If there are any questions, please contact [Matt.Lanphier@state.co.us](mailto:Matt.Lanphier@state.co.us).

### Action Items:

- None.

### Parking Lot Items

- None.

## 6. Open Comment

Matt opened the meeting for public comment. The public requested help from community organizations and providers to spread awareness of two legislative bills, one on contraception for undocumented immigrants and one on extending postpartum coverage. The public requested more information on the PHE and the percentage of newly uninsured that have been enrolled in Medicaid. Matt closed the meeting for public comment.

### Action Items:

- None.

### Parking Lot Items

- None.

## 7. Wrap Up

Matt adjourned the meeting at 11:18am.

