

Medical Care Advisory Committee

Minutes of March 21, 2024

Participants

Committee Members (via phone):

Michael Hales (Chair), Jennifer Marchant, Rachel Craig, Carlos Flores, Emily Zheutlin, Melissa Presley, Lisa Heaton, Dr. Robert Baird, Stephanie Burdick, Dr. Jennifer Brinton, Kim Dansie, and Davis Moore.

Committee Members Absent:

Joey Hanna, Brian Monson, Calleen Kenney, Gina Tuttle, Alan Ormsby, Michael Jensen, and Cassidy Matthews.

DHHS Staff (via phone):

Melissa Aitken, Josip Ambrenac, Tracy Barkley, Laura Belgique, Gina Boren, Eric Grant, Matt Lund, Jennifer Meyer-Smart, Samantha Moore, Todd Neff, Libby Oseguera, Brian Roach, Michelle Smith, James Stamos, Jennifer Strohecker, Jeremy Taylor, Greg Trollan, Kolbi Young, Sharon Steigerwalt, and Dorrie Reese

Guest (via phone):

Michael Allred (GOPB), Ciriaco Alvarez, Alexis Athens (GOPB), Kate Bradford, Emma Chacon, Jill Chang, Adam Cohen, Thaiss Del Rio, Rose Dunaway, Kevin Eastman, Jeannie Edens, Sarah Elliott, Rob Ence, Neil Erickson (OIG) Marian Furst, Kristi Grennan, Hailey H, Allison Heffernan, Jeremy Hirschi, Amy Johnson, Jesse Liddell, Jenifer Lloyd, Rebecca Martinez, Thomas Merrill, Elise Napper (DGO), Joni Nebeker, Andrea Neilson, Anita Ouedraogo, Jennifer Radcliffe, Andrew Riggle, Destiny Rockwood, Stephanie Saperstein (AG), Lisia Satini, Beth Smith, Stacey Swilling (State Dental Director), Kathy Walker, Christopher Williams, Emily Willis (GOPB), Todd Wood, and Sheila Young,

Welcome:

Michael Hales welcomed everyone.

Approval of Minutes:

Davis Moore made the motion to approve the January 18, 2024, MCAC minutes. Lisa Heaton seconded that motion. The group unanimously agreed.

Overview of the purpose and role of the MCAC:

Michael Hales gave an overview.

Open and Public Meeting Act annual training:

Stephanie Saperstein gave an update.

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/Documents/pdfs/mcac/2024%20Minutes/OPMA%20Summary%20Key%20Provisions%20March%202024%20Updated.pdf>

Summary of legislative bills/Medicaid budget overview:

Jennifer Strohecker and Eric Grant gave an update.

[https://medicaid.utah.gov/Documents/pdfs/mcac/2024%20Minutes/Utah%20Medicaid%20Legislative%20Updates%20\(Post%20Session\).pdf](https://medicaid.utah.gov/Documents/pdfs/mcac/2024%20Minutes/Utah%20Medicaid%20Legislative%20Updates%20(Post%20Session).pdf)

Medicaid Eligibility & Enrollment Update:

Michelle Smith gave an update on Unwinding Continuous Medicaid Eligibility.

The documents which were presented are embedded in this document.

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/unwinding/unwinding-eligibility-data/>

Questions:

Stephanie Burdick asked about some recommendations and suggestions that were made to DWS and DHHS that were related to enrollment.

Jennifer Strohecker mentioned they have been working on these items. We've detailed what the timelines are for them and several of them are in progress right now. Some of them are going to be presented shortly to the MCAC. The second piece in regard to the report from Jeff, we'll have to go back and review that commitment and will certainly be happy to revisit that. Where we stand about the dashboard as it exists today and perhaps a different version of that dashboard, we do not have a final decision on that yet. That's another item we'll be bringing back recognizing it is the end of unwinding in the next few weeks.

Director's Report:

Jennifer Strohecker gave an update on Change Healthcare pharmacy, and SPAs/Rules.

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/>

SPA's Rules:

The documents which were presented are embedded in this document.

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/Documents/pdfs/mcac/2024%20Minutes/MCAC%20Rule%20Summary%203-21-24.pdf>

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/Documents/pdfs/mcac/2024%20Minutes/MCAC%20SPA%20Summary%203-21-24.pdf>

Committee Member Updates:

Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm. Kim Danisie made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2024, at 2:00-4:00 p.m.