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Michigan Long-Term Care Supports and Services Advisory Commission Minutes

Tuesday, March 22, 2011
Michigan Home Health Association, Okemos, Michigan

I. Roll Call

Members Present

Mary Ablan
Robert Allison
RoAnne Chaney – Chair
Chris Chesny – Secretary
Connie Fuller
Dohn Hoyle
Yolanda McKinney
Jonathon Mead – Vice Chair (telephone)
Denise Rabidoux
Tom Rau
Toni Wilson

Members Excused

William Mania
Hollis Turnham
Cyndy Viars

Members Absent

Sharon Mack
Marcia Moers

Ex-Officio Members Present

Peggy Brey, Deputy Director Office of Services to the Aging and Designee for DCH Director
Cynthia Farrell, Designee for DHS Director
Sarah Slocum, State Long-Term Care Ombudsman
Absent: Dell Alston, Designee for DELEG Director

Staff Support – Gloria Lanum, OSA

- II. Review and Approval of the January 24, 2011 Minutes. Commissioner Rau moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Rabidoux seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- III. Review and Approval of Today's Agenda. Commissioner Rau moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- IV. MI Choice Waiver
- Michael Daeschlein reported the current authorization for MI Choice ends in 2012 and the program is beginning the process for reauthorization. This spring will be the kick-off with opportunities for public input. CMS will conduct a quality review site visit in the spring. Funding for nursing facility diversions will be considered as part of the application renewal. Discussion is taking place regarding the metric score for the department to increase the

number of nursing facility transitions for 2012. In order for this to happen, it would require new money. The budget includes approval to submit the application for the TBI waiver sometime this year. The total number of transitions through January is 478 transitions (plus 86 diversions). Michael also presented a summary of data collection and analysis. A new reporting system will be developed to collect unduplicated data.

V. Medicaid LTC Policy

Susan Yontz announced that the PACE responsibilities and the Home Help operations are now part of the LTC Policy Section. A Medicaid provider letter (L 11-05) was issued on March 17, 2011 regarding W-2 reporting requirements for parent providing home help services. The final rule on Civil Money Penalties (CMP) for Nursing Homes was published on March 18, 2011 in the Federal Register. It addresses uses of CMP funds and the appeal process for nursing homes. CMS will have the approval authority for the use of funds effective March 23, 2011. Michigan collects \$5-6M each year, and on average uses \$3-4M each year. The award announcement for the integrated care contract proposal is expected at the end of March. Susan will find out when the estate recovery brochure can be provided to the Commission for review. A presentation will be arranged to have the Third-Party Liability Section provide an update on estate recovery.

VI. Aging Trends Accessing Long-Term Care

Brian Barrie presented enrollment trends for Medicaid home and community-based services. The two biggest programs are the Adult Home Help and MI Choice Waiver program. During the 5-year period, the total number of participants in both programs increased. The number of months per participants for both programs tends to be stable. The fastest growing age group being served by the AHH program is the under 65 age group. In the MI Choice program, the largest cohort is the 65-84 age group although the biggest growth is seen in the under 65 population. This data indicates the percentage of people under 65 are utilizing home and community based services. Commission Chair Chaney added that baby boomers that lived an unhealthy life style are accessing long-term care services earlier.

VII. Medical Services Administration Update

Steve Fitton, MSA Director, reviewed the general principals of the planning contract proposal submitted for the integrated care initiative to provide services for dually eligible individuals. There is an obligation to integrate care across all service sectors and that includes behavioral health (the public mental health system) and long term care. The proposal includes a robust stake holder process. There are still a lot of details to work out some of which are structural, some have to do with characteristics of what the program will look like, and some may include financing being redirected in certain ways. The department should be notified in the next week or two regarding the \$1 million award. Commissioner Chesny suggested looking at the new Community First Choice Option and other opportunities in the Affordable Care Act to fold in with the integrated care plan. Steve also provided a brief update on Medicaid budget cuts and reductions. Aging incurred a cut of \$2.2 million. The MQC3 would also be eliminated.

VIII. Public Comment

- Cathy Grenier, Caregiver-Gladstone, MI, addressed the Commission regarding mileage reimbursement paid to Home Help workers at 40 cents per mile that involves the use of own vehicle for business purposes.
- Tina Abbate Marzolf, AAA 1-B, Southfield, followed up on a letter that was sent to the Commission in response to an issue regarding billboards to promote the nursing facility transition program.

IX. Medicare- and Medicaid-Covered Home Health Benefit

Commissioner Chesny presented a review of home health care benefits under Medicare and Medicaid programs and explained the qualifying criteria and payment under Medicare Part A, Part B, and Medicaid. Under the Medicaid home health program, the qualifying criteria are a little different. Medicaid is a fee for service visit basis. For the past 10 years there have been no rate increases, only rate reductions, for the Medicaid fee screen for home health in Michigan resulting in some services not being fully compensated for.

X. Grant Updates – Office of Services to the Aging (OSA)

Systems Transformation Grant - Wendi Middleton shared that OSA will be visited by the grant evaluators at the end of April. Further information about the visit will be shared at the May meeting. The grant ends in September 2011. In regards to the *State Profile Tool Grant*, in the second phase of this grant there is a strong emphasis on getting direct service worker data from employers. Plans are being made with CMH and DHS to possibly survey adult home help providers. The *Community Living Program Grant* ends next week. A final report will be prepared on best practices and lessons learned.

Aging and Disability Resource Centers – Scott Fitton reported that two of the three emerging ADRC's have signed MOU's to participate with the options counseling grant. The standards and definitions workgroup will be finalizing the draft state standards by the end of April. The IT workgroup is in the final stages of testing the online resource database to import resources from the local community.

XI. Commission Discussion

Commissioner Chesny proposed that the Finance Workgroup of the Commission be reactivated to partner in the integrated care initiative process and estate recovery. The full Commission agreed by consensus to reactivate the Finance Workgroup regardless. Commission Chair Chaney will communicate the offer to Steve Fitton.

Commission Chair Chaney shared that documentation on Commission appointments was provided to the Governor's Appointments Division representative to assist in filling vacancies.

Cynthia Farrell shared that positions vacated by retirements will be filled in addition to 11 new positions. DHS organizational changes include the Office of Adult Services now

reporting directly to Barbara Anders, Deputy of the Bureau of Quality and Adults Services. Cynthia will present DHS program statistics at the May meeting.

Mary Ablan announced that Older Michiganians Day is June 15, 2011. If Commissioners are interested in attending, contact Mary for a ticket.

Commission Chair Chaney reviewed the suggested agenda Items for May as follows:

- Cost, utilization analysis, and trends for nursing facilities – Bob Orme
- Analysis of wait list data – Brian Barrie
- CMP funding – Susan Yontz
- Hospice and home health data – Susan Yontz
- Estate recovery – Susan Yontz or Steve Fitton
- Integrated care initiative – Steve Fitton
- Home help trends – Cynthia Farrell
- Regular standing items – MI Choice, LTC Policy, DHS-APS, and Grant Updates

The next meeting is May 24, 2011 from 10:00-3:30 at the Michigan Home Health Association (MHHA), 2140 University Park Drive, Suite 220, Okemos, MI 48864. The July meeting will be held at the Capitol View Building, 201 Townsend Street, Lansing, MI 48913.

- XII. Adjournment – There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting ended. A motion was made by Commissioner Chesny to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fuller.