

South Dakota Department of Social Services
Medicaid Tribal Consultation Meeting
Thursday, January 9, 2014
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (CDT)
Governor's Inn, Kneip Room
Pierre, SD

I. Welcome and Introductions

Kirby Stone welcomed those in attendance. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

II. Prayer

Ellen Durkin led the prayer.

III. Review Minutes and Updates from October 10, 2013 Meeting

Kirby Stone asked for any changes to the minutes from the October 10, 2013 meeting. No revisions were identified.

IV. Eligibility/MAGI update

Carrie Johnson provided an update on the eligibility changes and requirements ACA eligibility changes. Carrie addressed the issues with the Federally Facilitated Marketplace. DSS is working with CMS daily to identify and resolve issues. DSS is taking the information that is available and outreaching those people who have applied directly and working with them to get their questions answered, enrolled in Medicaid or referred back to the FFM.

DSS recommends having those who may be Medicaid eligible come directly to the DSS local office in their area as opposed to applying through www.healthcare.gov.

Penny Kelly provided an update on the kiosk project. The kiosk in Eagle Butte was placed in mid-December.

V. Update on Medicaid State Plan Amendments

MAGI SPAs were implemented January 1, 2014. The changes included combining some coverage groups. Additionally, DSS now has to look at tax filer status versus household income status, which may result in some members of a family to be determined eligible while others are ineligible.

VI. Administrative Rules of South Dakota Revisions

DSS held a Public Notice meeting on proposed revisions to the Administrative Rules of South Dakota in November. The Rules Committee considered and approved the proposed changes during their December 17, 2013 meeting. The revised Rules were effective January 7, 2014.

The 34 rules revisions for Medical Services focused on clean-up and eliminated outdated language.

The Home Health rules were revised to eliminate the homebound criteria.

DSS is continually working to update rules to make them more accessible, more easily readable.

VII. Legislative Update

Kirby Stone provided an update to the legislative session that will begin January 14, 2014. DSS has filed two bills. Both repeal outdated language.

VIII. ICD-10

The Division of Medical Services is working with a vendor, Cognosante, to move toward compliance with the ICD-10 requirement by October 1, 2014. This is a federal requirement for all entities associated with health care.

DSS will be releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to identify a vendor who will have a tool to help the claims processing system translate ICD-10 codes to ICD-9 codes.

IX. Out-of-State Prior Authorization

Starting January 13, 2014 out-of-state inpatient hospitalizations will require prior authorization. The Prior Authorization Request Form and additional information are available on the Department's website. Primary Care Providers, including those at I.H.S, who refer their patients out-of-state for services that may require an inpatient hospital stay, must submit the Prior Authorization Request Form in advance.

X. Health Home Update

The Health Home program completed its second quarter of implementation on December 31, 2013. DSS is pleased with the number of Health Homes, including the I.H.S. services units and Urban Indian Health. DSS has formed a Health Home Implementation Workgroup to provide ongoing stakeholder feedback throughout the implementation phase.

XI. Quarterly report of tribal Medicaid expenditures

Oglala Sioux Tribe expressed concern about the expense the tribe incurs for transportation expenses that cannot be reimbursed. Kirby Stone committed to including NEMT on the next meeting agenda.

XII. Tribal Reports (from members present)

There were no Tribal Reports.

The representatives from the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Health provided an update on their Board Navigator Program. They are going out and doing outreach to help people enroll in the Federally Facilitated Marketplace (FFM). They are also encouraging people within the tribes to become trained as navigators.

I.H.S. indicated that they also have an ACA person who can help people enroll in the FFM.

XIII. Next meeting – April 10, 2014 at the AmericInn in Ft. Pierre at 10:00 a.m.

XIV. Adjournment.