

**Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) Meeting Minutes**

Date: September 23, 2020  
 Time: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
 Place: Skype conference meeting

Meeting Attendees **Bolded**

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| <b>Carol Arace</b>                 | <del>Christina Orton</del>                | <b>Beth Raines</b>     |
| <b>Jacqueline Dyke</b>             | <b>Victor Nguyen, PharmD</b>              | <b>Pamela Shaw, MD</b> |
| <del>John Esslinger, MD, MMM</del> | <b>Sallie Page-Goertz, MN APRN, IBCLC</b> | <b>Suzanne Stocker</b> |
| <b>Rick Hoffmeister, BSN, RN</b>   | <b>Janice Panichello, PhD, MPA</b>        | <b>Donna Sweet, MD</b> |
| <b>Lyndy Holt, RN, BSN</b>         | <b>Jeff Pierce, PharmD</b>                | Tracy Wagner, RN, BSN  |
| <b>Brandan Kennedy, MD</b>         |   | Joe Winslow, KDADS     |

Distribution List: MCAC Committee, KDHE-DHCF and Gainwell Technologies (Formerly DXC)

| Topic  | DISCUSSION   | DECISION AND/OR ACTION  |
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| <b>Review of Minutes &amp; Introductions</b> | Minutes from June 24, 2020 meeting.<br><br>Introductions: Guest speakers Phil Griffin, KDHE and Sheri Jurad, KDHE<br>Dr. John Esslinger has retired and will no longer be a committee member. Christina Orton has also moved to a new position and will no longer be a committee member. | Minutes reviewed and approved with no changes.<br>No new members attended meeting   |
| <b>Vaccine for Children (VFC) Program</b>    | Phil Griffin, KDHE presented information related to program background and intent. Discussion held to clarify eligibility requirements for children, provider participation requirements, and program assistance available to providers for access.                                      | Additional questions and challenges related to storage requirements for upcoming COVID-19 vaccine may be raised at future meeting |
| <b>Telehealth Visit Reimbursements</b>       | Discussion held; no changes have been made since national emergency declared. Questions presented:<br>What is currently working?<br>What is rate of utilization?<br>Any plans for change in reimbursement?   | No plans for change to telehealth reimbursement at this time. Rate of reimbursement is  |

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|   |   | same as face-to-face.   |
| <b>Coverage for Topical Atenolol</b>              | Discussion held, as medication is recommended treatment for significant hemangiomas. Clarification needed from KDHE as to whether there is a commercial product available, or if topical treatment is compound only.  | Sallie Goertz-Page to send information to Victor Nguyen, KDHE   |
| <b>Prior Auth Requirement for Tier 1 meds</b>     | Discussion held regarding issues with Aetna and UHC. KDHE verified tier system is not present in KMAP, drug is either preferred (PDL) or not, and may have clinical criteria for authorization. Member concerns provided related to being on medication that is effective and having to change when drug moves off formulary. Provide suggestions made to have notification sent out prior to current authorization expiring and continue to authorize med if previous authorization was granted.   | KDHE to research and provide update at future meeting.  |
| <b>MCO Incentives to Maintain Well Child Care</b> | Sheri Jurad, KDHE provided insight and answered questions about MCO differences in incentive offers for program participations. Differences may be the result of a process improvement plan or focused program initiative (such as pregnant woman prenatal care). KDHE clarification that incentives may change year to year.   | MCO incentives should be listed on carrier website.   |
| <b>Expansion of EPSDT Benefits</b>                | Provider question as to whether there is any plan from KDHE to expand age range for EPSDT/KAN Be Healthy coverage. Member example provided of siblings that would be losing health coverage when parents retire and lose insurance. They would be over age for EPSDT benefits. KanCare or Affordable Care Act coverage may be determined through application process.   | EPSDT is federal mandate program, subject to current Medicaid program limits.   |
| <b>Parent Access to Juvenile Care Information</b> | Continued discussion held: Provider input received indicates they may refer minor patient to health department if receiving sensitive prescription/care and do not want parents to know.  | KDHE to get additional feedback from MCOs on issue.   |
| <b>Prior Authorization Issues</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OTC iron liquid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussion: KDHE pharmacy would need to look at options for coverage. KDHE update: still working on coverage policy. KMMS project needs to complete first before additional policy work. Working on EPSDT coverage under “medically necessary.”</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Methylphenidate chewables in low doses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussion: Cost comparisons provided for oral tab v solution</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p>KDHE can also take to MCO monthly meeting to see how they can cover it.</p> <p>Sallie Page-Goertz to provide more details to Victor Nguyen, KDHE</p> |
| <b>Future Agenda Topics</b>                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COVID-19 Vaccines</li> </ul>   |   |

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| <b>Next Meeting</b> | Next meeting to be held Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 10:30am. via Skype conference call. |  |