

DELAWARE'S CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL COMPLEXITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 11, 2023

9:00 AM -11AM

Meeting Notes

<p>Welcome and Roll Call</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMMA Interim Director and CMCAC Chair, Theodore (Ted) Mermigos welcomed everyone. Attendees announced their name and affiliation via the chat box.
<p>DMMA Update</p>	<p>DMMA Interim Director Mermigos provided information on staffing changes at DMMA. He introduced new DMMA Deputy Director, Janeen Boyce, and new DMMA Executive Assistant, Terry Stonebrenner. Deputy Director Janeen Joyce introduced herself to the group. DMMA Interim Director Mermigos also shared with the group that DHSS Secretary Magarik resigned from her role earlier this year and Josette Manning has been sworn in as the new DHSS Secretary.</p> <p>DMMA Interim Director provided the following update:</p> <p>The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services released two new proposed rules that impact Medicaid and CHIP Managed Care (Managed Care Rule) and Ensuring Access to Medicaid Services (Access Rule). DMMA continues to work to provide comments and feedback to CMS. Both notices of proposed rule - making impact the Managed Care arena and will also have an impact on the Lifespan Waivers, Promise program, as well as the fee for service world. DMMA Interim Director recommends visiting the CMS website for further information regarding the new proposed rules.</p> <p>DMMA Chief of Policy and Planning provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1115 waiver: Town Halls regarding the Respite benefit and the Self-Directed Attendant Care (SDAC) benefit were held since the last CMCAC meeting. Information from these town halls will be posted to the CMCAC website. Both of these benefits were part of the 1115 Amendment that was submitted last year to CMS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The waiver amendment was approved and an extension on the current waiver was given through the end of 2024. DMMA will continue to share updates as they arise. New standing agenda item: Going forward, CMCAC meetings will include an update from outside organizations or efforts whose work aligns with the work of CMCAC. <p>The following organizations and their work were introduced to the group: Delaware Developmental Disabilities council and the Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens.</p>
<p>SHHN Quarterly Report</p>	<p>An overview of Skilled Home Health Nursing (SHHN) Quarter 2 Report was provided. The report includes Workgroup actions, key issues noted, and upcoming activities. The Quarter 2 Report is available on the DMMA CMCAC website.</p>

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COVID-19 PHE Unwinding Update	<p>DMMA Interim Director provided the following information related to COVID19 unwinding –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first batch of renewal letters went out in April for members to go through the redetermination process. As they come in, renewal information will be updated in the State’s databases. Each month 10,000-20,000 letters are going out. DMMA has received feedback from DSS informing that there has not been a large influx in telephone calls regarding redetermination and call volumes are manageable at this time. Individuals are primarily turning in redetermination documentation to state centers. Workers continue to progress in a positive way in processing this information. • A CMCAC attendee asked a question related to procedural terminations. Interim Director Mermigos informed the group that an individual may be disenrolled for failure to return required documents, which is called a “procedural termination.” Some states are receiving a high level of procedural terminations, but the state of Delaware is not at this time. He further states that it is a little too early to determine if Delaware will be impacted by this. However, he explained that Delaware will be looking at claims data to see if individuals are not returning the redetermination data if they recently received a new job. However, it is still a little too early to determine what that rate will be in Delaware. <p>DMMA Chief of Policy explained the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional information will be going out regarding when co-pays and premiums will be reinstated. For children, this would apply to pharmacy only, and for adults, this would apply to both pharmacy and dental.
Announcements	<p>DMMA Chief of Policy and Planning announced the retirement of Patty Watson – Bayada Pediatric Nurse Director who will be retiring on 7/28. Patty introduced her successor, Judeth. Patty has been working closely with Judeth to transition. Judith will be participating in CMCAC moving forward.</p> <p>The group provided Patty with well wishes and expressed appreciation for her contributions to CMCAC.</p>
Future CMCAC Meetings	Next CMCAC Meeting – 10/10/23, 9:00 AM
Public Comment	

📌 All CMCAC meetings are currently held via Zoom due to the COVID-19 PHE.