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CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID
HOME HEALTH
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Via Videoconference
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Commencing at 11:02 a.m.

Shana W. Spencer, RPR, CRR
Court Reporter

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APPEARANCES

BOARD MEMBERS:

Annlyn Purdon, Chair

Susan Stewart

Teudis Perez

Evan Reinhardt

Marlene Reynolds (not present)

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P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIR PURDON: We'll go ahead and get started. I'll start with the introductions. I'm Annlyn Purdon, Executive Director of Hayswood Home Health. If the rest of the TAC members will introduce themselves.

MS. STEWART: Susan Stewart.

CHAIR PURDON: I'll get that out in a minute.

MS. STEWART: CEO Home -- ARH Home Care Services.

MR. PEREZ: Teudis Perez, Green River District Home Health.

MR. REINHARDT: And I'm Evan Reinhardt, Executive Director for the Kentucky Home Care Association.

CHAIR PURDON: So we have established a quorum.

And I believe we have two sets of minutes we need to approve; is that correct? I think the December 20th, 2022, and the June 20th, 2023.

MS. SHEETS: I believe that's correct, yes.

1 CHAIR PURDON: Okay. Is there any
2 questions or discussion on that?

3 MR. REINHARDT: If there are no
4 questions or discussion, I move to approve
5 both sets of the minutes.

6 CHAIR PURDON: I'd second.

7 All in favor?

8 (Aye.)

9 CHAIR PURDON: All right. Motion
10 carries.

11 And, Evan, do you want to take us
12 through the new business, or do you want me
13 to do it or --

14 MR. REINHARDT: Sure. The supply
15 fee schedule discussion. You know, I think
16 we'll have a recommendation related to that.
17 But, Annlyn, this is a topic --

18 CHAIR PURDON: Oh, is this mine?

19 MR. REINHARDT: Yep. Yep.

20 CHAIR PURDON: Okay. I'll do it.
21 I was just requesting that the State add the
22 T4544 to the fee schedule. That is the
23 underwear pull-on above extra large. And we
24 already have the code for the diapers, and I
25 noticed that we have a code for both a diaper

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and a pull-on on every other size except for the above extra large. So I don't know if it was just an oversight that it was left off, because I know the extra large was added a few years back, or if there was a reason the State left the pull-ons off.

MS. SHEETS: Is there anyone from policy on? I don't know if there is.

MS. LOWERY: Yes. So we are working to look at the fee schedule, and we will review that recommendation. And we will get that -- if we work towards adding it, which that's the plan, we will need to write a change order to get that added and also over to the MMIS. But that is the plan.

CHAIR PURDON: Okay. Thank you.

MR. REINHARDT: Thank you.

CHAIR PURDON: Then, actually, I think it's -- well, I think maybe both the next one -- or I'm part of the next two.

The billing contact information -- I think somebody else requested that, also, from every MCO to actually -- instead of just having a provider rep, have one that actually knows about billing, if that's possible.

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And that kind of ties in to C. And mine was especially with Anthem because the provider rep contact list that I have in my region is -- I thought I had it out -- that the guy listed is a Glass. So when I contacted him, I was told no, that I had -- all the home health was handled by Teresa Lopez.

But I started an Anthem contract in April, and I have not been paid for one Anthem Medicaid claim. And I have sent in lists. I've tried to bill it according to my contract. I have -- then I was told to bill it exactly like I do Kentucky Medicaid, and those have already kicked back. So I actually need a rep that knows about billing.

MS. OWENS: This is Holly with Anthem. I'll put the contact information in the chat.

CHAIR PURDON: Okay.

MS. OWENS: Thank you.

MR. REINHARDT: And then is that something that DMS has a formal list of that, you know, we could just sort of try to keep track of and update on an ongoing basis?

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MS. SHEETS: Hi. It's Kelli again.
As far as I know, not that I'm aware of.
I'll put it that way. But that doesn't mean
there isn't one. I can take that back to our
MCO branch and see if we have anything that
we can distribute.

MR. REINHARDT: That would be
great.

MS. PARKER: This is Angie with
Medicaid. I can tell you they do get updates
on who the -- who their provider reps are,
but whether or not -- I don't know if it's
broken down by home health provider reps or
not. But they -- they, being health plan
oversight, does get that information.

Now, if you're wanting specifically
billing, then, that may not be that specific.
But they do have information on provider
representatives per MCO.

CHAIR PURDON: I think it goes back
to our issue of the MCOs telling us all the
time to bill like we do traditional Medicaid
but then that never gets us paid. So if they
actually had a rep that knew about billing
would be really nice.

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MS. ALLEN: This is Aaron Allen with WellCare. I will put my contact info in the box as well, and I do handle both, the billing and the provider relations. I'm for all of it.

MS. MORALES: This is Rosa Morales. I could answer any questions -- I'm with UnitedHealthcare -- could answer any questions in regards to billing or at least get you the answer. So I'll put my contact information as well.

MS. SHEETS: And just to let you know, I will copy the chat and send it out in either an email or a Word document attached to an email, so you don't have to worry about writing all that stuff down during the meeting.

CHAIR PURDON: Okay. Thank you. Does anybody else have any other questions for the new business?

MR. REINHARDT: No.

CHAIR PURDON: Okay. No. 5 is general discussion. Do we have something specific, Evan?

MR. REINHARDT: Nothing on our end

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unless DMS or anybody else has anything.

MS. STEWART: I have a question. This is Susan. Do we have any updates on the PleurX drain recommendation or the other recommendation we have out to the MAC?

MS. SHEETS: I'm sorry, Susan. Could you repeat that question? I couldn't hear it very well.

MS. STEWART: I'm getting a cold. It's regarding the PleurX drain MAC recommendation or the other supply question we had out to MAC recommendations.

MS. SMITH: Hey, Susan. It's Pam. We're adding that on the fee schedule, too, so I'm hoping we can get all of those. It lagged behind.

And I'll be fully transparent. It was my fault. I missed doing the change order, so I had saw that again. And so we're doing that. I am going to add that to the fee schedule, and so we'll get all of that done at the same time.

MS. STEWART: Okay, Pam. While you're on that, from the PleurX drain standpoint, will that be home health and DME?

1 MS. SMITH: I need to honestly look
2 on the DME side because DME is -- and I don't
3 think Justin is on. I can speak for sure on
4 the home health side, but let me -- let me
5 check about DME.

6 MS. STEWART: Because what happens
7 is if they don't have a way to get the
8 supplies after we discharge them, then it's
9 still --

10 MS. SMITH: It's still a problem.
11 Okay. And that makes sense so --

12 MS. STEWART: It's still a problem.

13 MS. SMITH: Okay. Yeah. I'll talk
14 to him, and I'll make sure that we -- that we
15 address both sides because we don't want to
16 have them be able to have it and then you all
17 discharged from the skilled plan of care and
18 then we don't have a way for them to get it.
19 So we don't want that to happen.

20 MS. STEWART: Exactly. Thank you.

21 MS. SMITH: You're welcome.

22 CHAIR PURDON: All right. Anything
23 else?

24 (No response.)

25 CHAIR PURDON: Okay. So, Evan, do

1 I need to officially make the recommendation
2 for No. 6 or --

3 MS. REINHARDT: I mean, I think
4 they're --

5 CHAIR PURDON: For us to vote on
6 or --

7 MR. REINHARDT: Yeah. They're
8 already going to do it, but maybe just for
9 good measure, we make a recommendation just
10 to keep it in the record, if we can.

11 CHAIR PURDON: Okay. I make a
12 motion to make the recommendation to No. 6.

13 MS. STEWART: Susan Stewart,
14 second.

15 CHAIR PURDON: All in favor?
16 (Aye.)

17 CHAIR PURDON: Motion passes. So
18 No. 7.

19 MS. STEWART: Will we -- will you
20 all be getting me an official thing for the
21 MAC meeting?

22 MR. REINHARDT: Yep. Yeah. I'll
23 draft it up and, you know, make sure we
24 coordinate with DMS on that and get it over
25 to the MAC.

1 MS. STEWART: Thank you. I guess
2 you're the presenter of that, Evan. Sorry.

3 MR. REINHARDT: Yeah.

4 CHAIR PURDON: Okay. So I guess
5 we're on to No. 7.

6 Anything from the MACs or -- oh, that's
7 Susan. I guess we just did No. 7.

8 MS. STEWART: Well, we did. But I
9 was not in attendance of the last MAC
10 meeting. That was the anniversary of the
11 flood, so I felt like my presence was better
12 off with my staff. So I did not attend the
13 last MAC meeting, so I have nothing to
14 report.

15 CHAIR PURDON: All right. The next
16 meeting will be in --

17 MR. REINHARDT: October 17th.

18 CHAIR PURDON: -- October 17th.

19 All right. I guess with nothing else,
20 we'll adjourn.

21 MS. STEWART: Love it.

22 MR. REINHARDT: Sounds good.

23 CHAIR PURDON: Short and sweet.

24 MS. STEWART: To the point. I love
25 it.

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CHAIR PURDON: Well, thank you to everybody for attending --

MR. REINHARDT: Thank you.

CHAIR PURDON: -- and for all the representatives that have put stuff in the chat.

MS. STEWART: Thank you.

MS. SHEETS: I'll get that information to you -- out as soon as we end the meeting.

MS. REINHARDT: Great. Thank you.

CHAIR PURDON: Thank you.

(Meeting concluded at 11:16 a.m.)

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/s/ Shana W. Spencer

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