



Delaware Center for Health Innovation

patient/consumer advisory

MEETING INFORMATION

- Date: Nov. 19, 2018
- Location: DHIN Dover Office, 107 Wolf Creek Blvd.
- Next Meeting: Dec. 17, 2018, 10:00 AM, University of Delaware Paradee Center, Dover

Attendees: Julane Armbrister-Miller, Kirk Dabney (phone), Joann Hasse (phone), Rita Landgraf, Tim Rodden, Emily Vera

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Call to Order

Welcome

- Committee Chairperson, Rita Landgraf, welcomed everyone.

DCHI Update

- Strategic Priorities
 - Julane shared that, as Delaware moves away from implementation of SIM, DCHI is working to refocus priorities and further advance communications and efforts to engage a broader group of stakeholders. This Advisory was reconvened as part of this overall effort to refocus.
 - A Cross-Committee meeting will be held in February 2019 in Dover (date and venue TBD) to get perspective on DCHI focus for 2019 and beyond, review lessons learned, and maintain momentum
- Primary Care Collaborative
 - The final meeting of the collaborative will be held on Dec. 12th, 4-6 PM, at the Delaware Medical Society
- Payment Reform Committee
 - Advisory reviewed a handout of the 4 Categories within the Alternative Payment Methods framework and discussed challenges of moving across these APMs toward most aspiring category in Delaware's small market
 - Advisory also discussed how value-based payment can have the opposite effect on certain vulnerable populations and the need for a risk model. Julane shared how discussions have included how issues of quality and access should not be lost as the state moves toward a healthcare benchmark. Rita shared that public comments were provided and a request was made for a carve out for the potential impact on vulnerable populations.

- Committee also discussed the overall issue of “medical profiling.” An example was provided of how some African-American patients have been denied joint replacements due to them being more obese, with the justification that patients with obesity do not respond as well to such replacements.
- Julane reiterated that PAC could bring issues like this to attention, and that all providers (Signa, Aetna, Highmark and AmeriHealth) are on the Payment Committee
- Behavioral Health Integration
 - Committee determined that they are not as far along as was thought after inventory was completed. There is still much work to be done (some codes working, some not), but there was one area where everyone was consistently getting reimbursed
- Clinical Committee
 - Meeting every other month beyond SIM grant funding.

Committee Nominations

- Salvatore Seeley, DHS, LCSW, with CAMP Rehoboth has accepted the committee’s nomination and provided a bio and resume for the Board meeting vote in January.
- Maria Pippidis with UD Cooperative Extension will provide support as needed but cannot commit to committee membership at this time.
- Additional nominees were discussed including representatives from such groups as AARP, CCHS Swank Memory Center, Westside Health’s Rural Health program, Disability Advocacy Groups, and the Veteran’s Administration. Outreach will be conducted to assess interest from these groups.

Other Business

- HCC awarded their first mini-grant to Carelink at CCHS for a Behavioral Health pilot with their AmeriHealth Medicaid members. The HCC is prepared to award up to multiple applicants in amounts ranging from \$25,000 to \$250,000 through the Value-Based Payment Reform Fund for work that must be completed by Jan. 31, 2019. 45 applications in total were received.
- Committee was updated on plans for “Choose Health 2.0” enhanced website and expected roll out by end of the year
- Gov. Carney will sign Executive Order #25 on Tuesday, Nov. 20th to establish health care spending and quality benchmarks
- Group meetings are underway to explore a Medicaid Buy-In program. Each state likely has a different reason for considering this option, but in various forms, these type of programs approach the idea of letting people buy Medicaid -- regardless of how much money they make. Essentially Medicaid becomes the marketplace and states leverage their healthier population with higher risk members.

Next Meeting: Monday, December 17th, 10 AM, UD Paradee Center, Dover