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| MEDICARE/CMS & NGS LIAISON WORKGROUPMeeting Minutes & AgendaDate: 8-15-19 |
| *Committee Members:* [x]  Katie Troumbly **BOD Liaison**  [x]  Vickie Brand **Chair**  [x] Michelle Enger **Vice Chair**  [x]  Karen Peterson **Staff Liaison**[x]  Jill Arvidson [x]  Paula Berger [x]  Connie Dreyer [x]  Dori Finch[x]  Sara Fox [x]  Kim Holien **Advocacy Liaison** [ ]  Barbara January [ ]  Margaret Krull[x]  Rebekah Mattocks [ ]  Jennifer Stark [ ]  Bonnie Tendrup [x]  Kay Toczek  |
| Others Present:  |
| Staff Present: Kathy Messerli |
| Minute Taker: Jill Arvidson |
| Agenda Item | **Discussion** | **Motion and Vote Follow-Up or Action Item** | **Responsibility** | **Deadline** |
| 1. Call to Order | Members present in person and via phone/zoom.  |  |  |  |
| 2. Introductions | Team members introduced self. Members attending via zoom are encouraged to connect with video capabilities.  |  |  |  |
| 3. Workgroup Orientation | Orientation and Anti-Trust presented | * Anti-Trust document will be sent to those members not present in person.
 | * Karen Peterson
 | * *(done that day)*
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| 4. Minute Taker |   | * Team members will volunteer each meeting
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| 4. Overview of MW (Medicare Workgroup, NGS/CMS, Advocacy)- Set goals/priorities | How will agenda items be determined? Use of the Forum on the MHCA website.Advocacy | * Team members and MHCA staff can add topics to the agenda for each meeting.
* Since this workgroup is meeting quarterly, team may be working on topics between meetings and via email.
* Forum – each team member is encouraged to share User Guide with others in agency. Encourage other colleagues to join and post questions/responses.
* Advocacy is a high priority for MHCA. Team will want to consider how to build this in to our work.
 | * Team members requested to respond in timely manner to email requests/conversation so our work can continue on topics.
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| 5. CY2020 Proposed Rule- comments due by 9-9-19 |  |  |  |  |
| 6. Topics to consider for resource development: PDGM, Final Rule, Maintenance Therapy, Q&A’s (Medicare Topics) | PDGMFall Conference – October 22-23rd. U of M Continuing Education Center -St Paul Campus. Therapy DocumentationMaintenance Therapy | * Some agencies have found it helpful to form a team and plan out what may need to get accomplished/looked at before 1-1-2020.
* MHCA is sending messages regularly to leaders of member agencies. The Informer is being sent to all member agencies and those individual staff who have user accounts within MHCA.
* Axxess has a list on their website of unacceptable dx codes that will result in Questionable Encounters
* Cash Flow for 1st quarter 2020 – anticipated to be impacted.
* NAHC webinar series – information on MHCA website. They are recorded.
* Discussion about other ways this team could support membership prepare for the transition to PDGM.
* Registration will open soon. Watch the MHCA website and emails.
* CMS website has video modules for training GG items.
* Topic is increasing in community. Many home care agencies are not providing this type of service. Possible topic to work with NGS to provide additional education to this team.
 | * Karen/Kathy will add PDGM as a topic on the Forum page.
* Goal to include tips or Q and As each week and utilizing the Forum to support that.
* Team members encouraged to add questions/answers to the Forum.

Team members encouraged to register.Paula will send out link to team members. Jill will send out the Maintenance Therapy articles developed by the MHCA Rehab Team following their presentation at the 2014 Annual Meeting.  |  |
| 8. Adjournment/ Next Meeting | 11-20-19 1-3pm |  | Minute Taker:  |  |