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| Medicare & CMS/NGS WorkgroupMeeting Minutes & AgendaDate: 11/30/2021 |
| *Committee Members:* [x]  Rebekah Mattocks, Chair [x]  Sara Fox, Vice Chair [x]  Katie Troumbly, Board Liaison [x]  Brianna Lindell[x]  Paula Berger [x]  Vickie Brand [ ]  Joe Christenson [ ]  Dori Finch[x]  Kim Fleischfresser [x]  Lisa Hanowski [ ]  Barbara January [x]  Karen Leutner [x]  Jennifer Stark [ ]  Bonnie Tendrup [x]  Kay Toczek   |
| Others Present:  |
| Staff Present: |
| Agenda Item | **Discussion** | **Motion and Vote Follow-Up or Action Item** | **Responsibility** | **Deadline** |
| 1. Call to Order |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Approval of Minutes |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Advocacy Update | Work on legislation priority for next year.  |  |  |  |
| 4. Final Rule | Released last month. VBP put off until 2023. Discussion regarding direct aide supervision needing 2x per aide per patient. Brianna will ask NAHC and send it out in the informer. Question on VBP and when the baseline year was, Determined that baseline was 2019, performance was 2023 with payment was 2025.  |  |  |  |
| 5. HHCCN Updates | Change to reference NP and PA’s. No updated form on the website. Vickie will send out Link to the group.  |  |  |  |
| 6. MDH Survey Updates | Infection and complaint surveys continue |  |  |  |
| 7. Vaccine Mandate | It was paused in 10 states. Discussion on vaccine mandates. Patient refusing nonvaccinated patients and what is being done regarding this, some agencies allowing it and some are not.  |  |  |  |
| 8. COVID Discussion | COVID patient not seeing as many in the Home Health area. Hospital at Home is seeing more. More staff testing positive than last year. PHE goes until January. New variant is mild and is likely in MN but not detected. Boosters strongly encouraged. If boosters are not given is testing required after a year.  |  |  |  |
| 9. Wrap-Up | Advantage plans what are they going to do with the NOA? Unsure to the answer to this.  |  |  |  |
| 10. Adjournment | Committees will be determined in the next couple of weeks. Meetings to be scheduled following that.  |  |  |  |
| Next Meeting Date & Location: ? |