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| A picture containing text, clock  Description automatically generatedMedicare & CMS/NGS WorkgroupMeeting Minutes & AgendaDate: 9/28/2022 1:00 – 2:30pm |
| *Committee Members:* [x]  Jennifer Stark, Chair [x]  Vickie Brand, Vice Chair [x]  Kristy Husen, Board Liaison [x]  Brianna Lindell[ ]  Angela Aanenson-absent [x]  Joan Berger [x]  Paula Berger [x]  Rachel Eastwood-minute taker[x]  KC Ferk [x]  Kimberly Fleischfresser- [ ]  Lisa Hanowski- [x]  Barb Jezorski [x]  Margaret Krull- [x]  Rebekah Mattocks [x]  Leo Monterola-absent   |
| Others Present:  |
| Staff Present: |
| Agenda Item | **Discussion** | **Motion and Vote Follow-Up or Action Item** | **Responsibility** | **Deadline** |
| 1. Call to Order
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| 1. Approval of Minutes
 | Minutes Approved |  |  |  |
| 1. Advocacy Update
 | * Committee applications are now open. Everyone needs to apply to be on a committee (workgroup) again in 2023. [Committee Application - Minnesota HomeCare Association (mnhomecare.org)](https://www.mnhomecare.org/page/committeeapplication)
* Deadline for committee applications is 11.8
 | * Team members need to apply to participate in a committee in 2023
 |  | **11/8/22** |
| 1. COVID/PHE
 | * Current PHE is set to expire on October 14th, 2022. Team believes this will be extended as we have not received the 60 day notice it will end. Team will table as an active discussion item and formulate a plan when an expiration date provided. Link to [COVID-19 Blanket Waivers](https://www.cms.gov/files/document/covid-19-emergency-declaration-waivers.pdf) .
* CDC updated COVID guidance 9/23/22: [Infection Control: Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) | CDC](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fhcp%2Finfection-control-recommendations.html&data=05%7C01%7CEmily.Leyrer%40state.mn.us%7Cc0561c813c7c44a0947708daa0b67816%7Ceb14b04624c445198f26b89c2159828c%7C0%7C0%7C637999002797306951%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ohTOv%2FdCz9MK6GONAbV9GRRS52FfkIgmqzzNc190cp8%3D&reserved=0)
* New quarantine guidance: [Interim Guidance for Managing Healthcare Personnel with SARS-CoV-2 Infection or Exposure to SARS-CoV-2 | CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assesment-hcp.html)
* There are many changes including:
	+ Universal eye protection now an agency consideration(not a requirement).
	+ Guidance for testing following an exposure.
	+ Guidance for testing following recovery from COVID-19.
	+ Routine testing no longer recommended
* MDH hosts a monthly Long Term Care COVID-19 Conference Call where they discuss guidance changes; link to sign up is: [**MDH LTC COVID-19 Call Subscription**](https://redcap.health.state.mn.us/redcap/surveys/?s=MW7LK7FY83)
 |  * Table until we learn when the PHE/Blanket Waivers will expire.
* Team to review new guidance for future discussion.
* Send any questions about new guidance to Brianna to forward to MDH

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| 1. NP Collaboration
 | * Team will remove NP Collaboration from discussion agenda.
 | * Remove from future discussions
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| 1. HH Proposed Rule 2023
 | * Comment Period ended. Final rule should be out the end of next month (Oct).
* More information on the Proposed Rule will be communicated during the MHCA annual meeting.
* [2023 HHPPS Proposed Rule](https://imsva91-ctp.trendmicro.com/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=https%3a%2f%2fwww.cms.gov%2fmedicaremedicare%2dfee%2dservice%2dpaymenthomehealthppshome%2dhealth%2dprospective%2dpayment%2dsystem%2dregulations%2fcms%2d1766%2dp&umid=C4695C9F-E39B-6605-9A01-6F90B9F26C14&auth=0b393771eab4df609f0fdff83b2bfe113ffa6277-443fabbc6a431ac1db888f14655349de03fd49a3)
* [CMS proposed rule fact sheet](https://imsva91-ctp.trendmicro.com/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=https%3a%2f%2fwww.cms.gov%2fnewsroom%2ffact%2dsheets%2fcy%2d2023%2dhome%2dhealth%2dprospective%2dpayment%2dsystem%2drate%2dupdate%2dand%2dhome%2dinfusion%2dtherapy%2dservices&umid=C4695C9F-E39B-6605-9A01-6F90B9F26C14&auth=0b393771eab4df609f0fdff83b2bfe113ffa6277-07ed87973dbec81d212b083eff7055ba89542da4)
 | * Continue to follow
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| 1. OASIS-E
 | * MHCA has a webinar training [OASIS E Training for Clinicians- a](https://www.mnhomecare.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1664751&group=) 4 part webinar series (4 hours) available for agency purchase.
* Some agencies are electing to incorporate some of the new assessment items (BIMS, High Risk meds, etc) into EMR prior to 2023.
* No reports of anyone changing productivity standards, however most team members agreed that in-home time will increase.
 | * Continue to follow
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| 1. [HHVBP](https://www.mnhomecare.org/page/hhvbp)
 | * MHCA has a webinar training: [Transdisciplinary Competency for OASIS –E and Value Based Purchasing Training.](https://www.mnhomecare.org/store/viewproduct.aspx?id=20923128)
* Postive feedback on the CMS iQIES report training from individuals that attended.
* Link to the training: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QaPTmD1k4kw>
 | * Continue to follow
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| 1. EVV
 | * EVV Timeline posted on DHS website: <https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/news-initiatives-reports-workgroups/long-term-services-and-supports/evv/>
* Members preparing for EVV and working with EMRs
 | * Continue to follow
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| 1. Wrap-Up
 | * Survey discussion- COVID-19 policies and testing were areas the surveyors recently focused on.
* Discussion on who is outsourcing diagnosis coding/OASIS review and experiences with the vendor.
* Brianna shared NGS educational trainings can be found on the YouTube Channel (NGS Home Health or NGS Hospice) : [NGSMedicare.com - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/user/NGSMedicare/videos)
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| 1. Adjournment
 | * MHCA Annual Meeting is October 12th-14th.
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| Next Meeting Date & Location: Cancel the meeting planned for 11/23/22 due to the Holiday. Plan to reschedule another date in November. Brianna will send a survey to us for recommendations on dates/times.  |