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| A picture containing text, clock  Description automatically generatedMedicare & CMS/NGS Workgroup  Meeting Minutes & Agenda  Date: 02/22/2023 1:00-2:30pm | | | | |
| *Committee Members:*  Jennifer Stark, Chair  Barb Jezorski, Vice Chair  Andrea Jung, Board Liaison  Brianna Lindell, Staff  Joan Berger  Paula Berger  Vickie Brand  Rachel Eastwood  KC Ferk  Kimberly Fleischfresser (Kim)  Jackie Gallagher  Lisa Hanowski  Jessica Kirchoff  Rebekah Mattocks (Becky)  Ben Panek  Kay Toczek | | | | |
| Others Present: | | | | |
| Staff Present: Kathy Messerli (Orientation) | | | | |
| Agenda Item | **Discussion** | **Motion and Vote Follow-Up or Action Item** | **Responsibility** | **Deadline** |
| 1. Call to Order |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Member Introductions |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Workgroup Orientation | * Committee website:   + Member list serve/meeting minutes   + Member resources and educational topics * Workgroup to bring issues and ideas as it relates to Medicare |  | Kathy |  |
| 1. Advocacy Update | * Advocacy for 2 working bills related to Home Health reimbursement:   + 1. Request increase in base rate for MA services.   + 2. Requested increase in reimbursement for underfunded/non-funded including:     - Care evaluations     - Care coordination     - Homemaker services * Monitoring FMLA/Safe and Sick time- probability it will pass |  | Kathy |  |
| 1. Workgroup Plan & Mtg Dates | * Meet virtually every 2 months, on last Wed of month, through 12/27/23. * Minute taker will be announced at the end of each meeting for the next planed meeting. |  |  |  |
| 1. CMS Medical Reviews | * Workgroup discussed if any agency has been audited. * Several members received RAC audits in the mail.   + Discussed plan for raising awareness in the next Informer. | * Vickie will create a draft on the topic of RAC audits for the informer and send to the Workgroup to review |  |  |
| 1. Compliance Corner / listservs | * Listservs are available for multiple groups- anyone can sign up for these. * No expectation for workgroup members to respond- it is voluntary. * Brianna oversees compliance corner within the informer and welcomes suggestions from the group. |  |  |  |
| 1. COVID/PHE Updates | * PHE ending 5/11/23 * Reference the February Informer which highlights the home health waivers. |  |  |  |
| 1. [HHVBP](https://www.mnhomecare.org/page/hhvbp) | * PIPR report available in iQIES * Workgroup to bring ideas and tips that could help other providers as it relates to VBP. |  |  |  |
| 1. [EVV](https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/news-initiatives-reports-workgroups/long-term-services-and-supports/evv/) - Electronic Visit Verification | * Implementation (Phase 4) to occur end of year 2023, waiting for more direction from DHS. * More to come in future meetings. | Awareness for our workgroup |  |  |
| 1. Wrap-Up | * 3 workgroup members volunteered for the NGS provider outreach and education meeting   + Will provide recaps of the meeting for this workgroup.   + Workgroup to e-mail any recommendations on educational topics that would be helpful for NGS to cover. * Home Care Survey Changes-MDH removing the onsite exit interview for routine surveys.   + Advocacy team requesting workgroup feedback on how this may impact our agencies. |  |  |  |
| 1. Adjournment |  | Minute Taker: Rachel |  |  |
| Next Meeting Date & Location: 04/26/2023 1:00-2:30 PM Minute Taker will be: Barb | | | | |