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| A picture containing text, clock  Description automatically generatedMedicare & CMS/NGS WorkgroupMeeting Minutes & AgendaDate: 10/25/2023 1:00-2:30pm |
| *Committee Members:* [ ]  Jennifer Stark, Chair [x]  Barb Jezorski, Vice Chair [x]  Andrea Jung, Board Liaison [x]  Brianna Lindell, Staff[x]  Paula Berger [x]  Vickie Brand [x]  Rachel Eastwood [x]  KC Ferk[x]  Jackie Gallagher [ ]  Lisa Hanowski [x]  Jessica Kirchoff [x]  Rebekah Mattocks (Becky)[ ]  Ben Panek [x]  Kay Toczek   |
| Others Present:  |
| Staff Present: Brianna |
| Agenda Item | **Discussion** | **Motion and Vote Follow-Up or Action Item** | **Responsibility** | **Deadline** |
| 1. Call to Order
 |  |  | Jen |  |
| 1. Advocacy Update
 | * Days away from Final Rule being released.
* MHCA and NAHC working together to advocate
* Next legislation session: more regulatory focused
* Meeting with DHS re: MCO burdens, RN/LPN rates
* Care Evaluation Bill
* [MHCA 2024 Gov Relations Agenda](https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.mnhomecare.org/resource/resmgr/legislative_and_advocacy/2024_MHCA_Government_Relatio.pdf)
 |  | Brianna |  |
| 1. HHPPS
 | * Final rule expected by 11/1
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| 1. HH QRP

[HHVBP](https://www.mnhomecare.org/page/hhvbp) | * Jan 2024 Care Compare Preview Reports available in iQIES
* QRP Non compliance letters for 2024 available in iQIES
* New [Health Equity Feedback for PAC video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EjQoZwkUIVU&t=7s) (Oct)
* New [BIMS Video](https://youtu.be/bVhqbtZRNPc) available (Sept)
* New [High Risk Drug Classes N0415 video](https://youtu.be/4eBsEGLQSt8) available (Sept)
* New [Social Determinants of Health](https://youtu.be/VQziszVgmnI) video available (Aug)
 | Do we want to share these links in the Informant? Will check to be sure  | Brianna  |  |
| 1. [EVV](https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/news-initiatives-reports-workgroups/long-term-services-and-supports/evv/)
 | * MN Soft launch 10/16/23
* Essentia(?) has been using in ND. Issue w/ using G0299 code. Using Epic w/ Rover. Been live since July
* Home Care Home Base integrates with HHAeXchange
 | Jess/Vickie to send training dates to Brianna  |  |  |
| 1. OIG
 | * [OIG Report](https://oig.hhs.gov/oei/reports/OEI-05-22-00290.pdf)-HHAs failed to report over half of falls with major injury and hospitalization (55%).
* Everyone check their falls data to ensure they are reporting.
 | OIG report summary here: [summary](https://oig.hhs.gov/oei/reports/OEI-05-22-00290.asp) |  |  |
| 1. HHA PEPPER
 | * 2022 HHA PEPPER reports available
* Take a peek at your Agency’s PEPPER reports
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| 1. NGS POE updates
 | * Vickie and Brianna attended on 10/24/23.
* Shared 2024 calendar
* Always looking for new ideas for education, share to the group or with Vickie and Brianna
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| 1. Medical Reviews
 | * TPE review: reviewed entire chart, maintenance and F2F denials (20-30 charts).
* F2F issue: primary dx didn’t match on POC and F2F visit
 | Becky to bring back findings on the maintenance cases (NGS topic?)MHCA Edu Topic: F2F? |  |  |
| 1. Annual Meeting
 | * Any feedback from this year, opportunities for 2024?
* Barb: felt like she took away a few new things. Worth her time.
* App was good. Flow was good.
* Bill should have more time to speak – seemed rushed
* Thomas w/ Synzi was good
* Arnie w/ HHSM (Thurs at 1pm) – same message as last year. Good concepts, not realistic
* Lawyer – MN unemployment session was good
* Venue (Breezy): was fine. Food OK. Breakfast buffet is nice . will be at Breezy in 2024.
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| 1. Wrap-Up
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| 1. Adjournment
 |  | Minute Taker: TBD |  |  |
| Next Meeting Date & Location Proposed: 12/6/2023 1:00-2:30 PM Minute Taker will be: Vickie Brand  |