**MHCA Advocacy Report**

*To be submitted to Advocacy Chair* ***10 days*** *prior to the committee meeting*

**MHCA Advocacy Workgroup/Stakeholder Meeting:**

**Liaison Name: Andrea Jung**

**Meeting Date: Thursday April 9th 2020**

**Highlight Discussion Topics** (1-3 sentences)

1. Meeting started with some COVID related topics including, work comp, NPP, waivers for home care, and PPE. Very few Advocacy Members had more than a few COVID cases at the time of the meeting.
2. MDH Call for Grant Applications for $50 million in COVID 19 grants: Karen reported the list of recipients was released earlier this week and didn’t appear to include many home care agencies; Karen would like to be notified by MHCA members if they applied for these funds. The next round of funds is expected to be released soon. MHCA leadership will work with Kevin and Anni to push for homecare to be included.
3. MN Senate Covid-19 Workgroup: Anni reported that the MN Senate recently formed a COVID 19 workgroup. They have been meeting every couple days. There was discussion about getting the needs of the home care community specifically highlighted in front of this group. This workgroup had a focus on long term care earlier this week. MHCA leadership and Kevin and Anni will follow up on this.

**Recommendation for Committee Consideration:**

Recommendation per workgroup member vote:

Nothing to vote on from this past meeting.