

## DRAFT MINUTES

Name of Meeting: Pharmacy Liaison Committee

Date of Meeting: April 5, 2012

Length of Meeting: 2:10 PM – 4:20 PM

Location of Meeting: DMAS 13<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom

### DMAS Attendees:

Bryan Tomlinson, Division Director  
Donna Proffitt, Pharmacy Manager  
Tyrone Wall, Compliance Specialist  
Kayla Anderson, DMAS Policy Analysis  
Rachel Cain, Pharmacist  
Keith Hayashi, Pharmacist  
Scott Cannaday, DMAS Policy Analysis

### Committee Members:

Sandra Guekian, NACDS  
Kemper Hyers, VACD  
Gerald Milsky, Epic Pharmacies Inc  
Tim Musselman, Virginia Pharmacist Association (VPhA)  
John Beckner, Martin's  
Jan Burrus, GSIC

### Other Attendees:

Richard Grossman, Vectre Corporation  
Joe Winalski, Biogen

## Introduction

Bryan Tomlinson welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for everyone to introduce themselves. Committee approved minutes from July 19, 2011 Medicaid Managed Care Expansion. Bryan Tomlinson informed the committee of the July 1, 2012 far Southwest Virginia Medicaid expansion. Six new MCOs will be in the region (Majesticare, Athem, Amerigroup Virginia Premier, Optima, CareNet. Mr. Tomlinson informed the Committee members of possible transition issues with the new MCOs since this is going to be new to the area and to prepare for an influx of new MCO members. Mr. Tomlinson also informed the Committee of the upcoming 2014 Health Care Reform Act which if passed will increase the Medicaid population.

## **Drug Utilization Review Board Approved Service Authorization**

DMAS Pharmacy Manager Donna Proffitt described the functions and recommendations of the DUR Board. She informed the Committee of new medications that are not on the PDL, but will be subjected to service authorization due to the recommendations of the DUR Board. The DUR Board will develop criteria for the service authorizations based on FDA guidelines. Service authorizations will be entered by Xerox service authorization department.

## **FAMIS Select**

Donna Proffitt explained the FAMIS Select expansion to the Committee members. Once explained she informed the Committee members that these recipients are not eligible for pharmacy benefits only for the payment of premiums. DMAS has corrected the eligibility programming issue. She alerted the Committee member that the claims that were paid out of coverage will need to be recouped. She informed the Committee that letters will be sent out to the providers that are involved with a list of claims to be retracted before DMAS' recoupment is processed.

## **Specialty Drug Reimbursement**

Donna Proffitt quoted regulation 12VAC30-80-40 with regard to specialty drugs identified as chronic, high cost or rare diseases. She detailed the payment methodology that is in place and how the lower of logic prices in our system. She let the Committee know that DMAS' is looking for guidance from the pharmacy community with pricing once AWP has been abandoned. Specialty drug are reimbursed WAC Price plus the WAC Percentage.

## **Replacement of AWP**

Donna Proffitt informed the Committee that DMAS' is in holding pattern with concerns about AWP. She made it known that DMAS' has contacted other States and CMS for guidance. She asked the Committee of any new news on pricing and what are providers doing to adjust to the new pricing change coming down the pike. She also wanted to know of the response to any surveys that have be compiled.

## **Proposals for Cost effective Delivery of Pharmacy Services**

Bryan Tomlinson reminded the Committee members of the new POS flu vaccine billing procedure that was implemented last fall. He wanted to know if the pharmacy providers had mentioned the billing changes or had comment about the change. One member stated that it was a very positive change, but wanted to know if there are any other administration reimbursements for the pharmacist who administers these vaccines. Mr. Tomlinson informed the Committee that administration fee will be put on the agenda for future meeting.

Another Committee member wanted to know about D.0 implementation. She was informed that DMAS has already converted over to D.0 and is currently adjudicating POS claims in that format.

Committee member wanted to know if EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) was mandated by Medicaid and who do they contact to get set up for EFT. Medicaid memo dated 5.10.2011

“The purpose of this memorandum is to notify participating providers of DMAS’ plan to implement item #300H of the 2011 General Assembly Appropriation Act - 300H requires that all new providers bill claims electronically and receive reimbursement via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) no later than October 1, 2011. Item #300H also requires existing Medicaid providers to transition to electronic billing and receive reimbursement via EFT no later than July 1, 2012. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) will conduct a phased-in approach to this mandate to require newly enrolled providers to sign up for EFT and bill electronically once approved for participation with Virginia Medicaid starting July 1, 2011. Existing providers are encouraged to begin to transition to electronic participation any time after August 1, 2011. In support of this mandate DMAS will implement several new enhancements to the Virginia Medicaid Web Portal on June 6, 2011. DMAS will launch Direct Data Entry (DDE) of Claims, Provider Profile Maintenance, and Blast Email. These enhancements are intended to simplify the claims submission process, improve efficiency and claims processing times, lower costs for both the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Medicaid provider community; and expand and enhance our provider communications.”

Provider will have to contact ACS provider enrollment section to become enrolled to receive EFT.

### **Other Business**

Bryan Tomlinson pointed out to the Committee member of the upcoming Pharmacy and Therapeutic Committee Meeting scheduled for April 19, 2012

Member wanted about how Medicaid will handle management of dual members. Bryan Tomlinson stated that DMAS is still in the early stages of this development and awaiting more information whenever it becomes available.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 PM

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