

**Meeting of the Provider Assessment Work Group
Meeting #3
Virginia General Assembly Building, Capitol Square
House Room D
201 North 9th Street
Richmond, VA 23218
October 28, 2015
DRAFT Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Anna Healy James, Policy Director in the Office of the Governor, called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. Ms. James welcomed members for attending and reviewed the agenda for the day. Ms. James announced new member, **Roger Gunter**, Chief Financial Officer – Virginia Medicaid at AETNA, has joined the work group; however, unable to attend, Doug Johnson, attended on his behalf. Suzanne Gore, Deputy Director for Administration at the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS), attended on behalf of Cynthia B. Jones, DMAS Director.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 MINUTES

Ms. James asked the members to review and approve the minutes from the September 30, 2015 meeting. Dr. Sterling Ransone made a motion to accept the minutes and Ms. Beth Bortz seconded. The vote was unanimous.

INVITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROVIDER ASSESSMENT

The following invited speakers presented their comments and provided written comments (attached) on the provider assessment:

- Christopher S. Bailey, Executive Vice President
Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association
- Steve Ford, Senior Vice President for Policy and Reimbursement,
Virginia Health Care Association
- Laura Lee Vieregger, Director of Policy, Virginia Association of Health Plans
- Bob Gerndt, Interim President, LeadingAge Virginia

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROVIDER ASSESSMENT

Ms. James invited others in attendance to comment (attached).

- Jill A. Hanken, Esq., Staff Attorney, Virginia Poverty Law Center, commented and provided written comments.
- Patrick Sturdivant, President, Anthem Healthkeepers Plus, submitted comments electronically.

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION (GME) PRESENTATION

Michelle Chesser, Joint Commission on Health Care, presented an overview of graduate medical education in the Commonwealth and responded to questions from members of the work group. (See attached handout.)

BREAK: 2:30 – 2:45

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION ON SOURCE OF PROVIDER ASSESSMENT; SPENDING PRIORITIES; AND POTENTIAL PROTECTION PROVISIONS (GUARDRAILS)

Ms. James led a round table discussion with the work group members to allow members to share their thoughts, concerns and recommendations. After hearing comments, it was resolved that Ms. James would forward a draft report to the work group for review and comment. Then, an additional meeting would be set up to review the comments and finalize the report.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. James thanked everyone for attending. The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

PROVIDER ASSESSMENT WORK GROUP

Members attending:

Anna Healy James

Suzanne Gore (for Cindi Jones)

Beth A. Bortz

Sterling Ransone, M.D.

C. Novel Martin

Peter Gallagher

James Cole

Doug Johnson (for Roger Gunter)

George Reiter

Sheryl Garland

Massey S.J. Whorley

Roderick Manifold

Kurt Hofelich

Richard V. Homan

Matthew Turner

William A. Hazel, Jr., MD., ex officio

Member participating via phone:

Anthony Keck

Debbie Burcham

Nancy Howell Agee

Member absent:

Linda D. Wilkinson