

# CHIPAC

Children's Health  
Insurance Program  
Advisory Committee  
of Virginia



# MEETING MINUTES

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## CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee

### Meeting

October 18, 2024

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

*A quorum of the CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee attended this in-person meeting. The meeting link was posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall website to allow the public to attend virtually.*

#### **The following CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee members attended:**

- Freddy Mejia, The Commonwealth Institute Chair
- Rachael Deane, Voices for Virginia's Children  
(*substitute for Emily Moore*)
- Irma Blackwell, Va Department of Social Services Member at Large
- Kelly Cannon, Va Hospital and Healthcare Association Member at Large
- Dr. Susan Brown, Va Chapter of the American Academy Of Pediatrics Member at Large

#### **The following DMAS staff were present:**

- Emily Roller, Senior Management Analyst; Policy Division

#### **Welcome – Freddy Mejia, CHIPAC Chair**

Freddy Mejia, CHIPAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:04am. Mejia welcomed Kelly Cannon and Dr. Susan Brown to the Executive Subcommittee, and welcomed Rachael Deane as a substitute attendee for Vice Chair Emily Moore. The Executive Subcommittee introduced themselves and their roles.

#### **I. CHIPAC Business**

##### **A. Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting**

Members reviewed the minutes from the July 19 Executive Subcommittee meeting

(virtual). Brown introduced a motion to approve the minutes, Cannon seconded, and the Subcommittee voted unanimously to approve.

### **B. Membership Updates**

Mejia indicated that 2 Full Committee members have terms expiring in December 2024, and that both would be invited to renew. Hanna Schweitzer, Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, will be invited to renew for an additional 3-year term. Martha Crosby, Virginia Community Healthcare Association, will be invited to renew for an additional 2-year term.

### **II. Planning for the December 2024 Full Committee Meeting (Virtual)**

The Subcommittee discussed agenda topics for the December 12 Full Committee meeting. Mejia encouraged the Executive Subcommittee to consider the CHIPAC dashboards distributed at Full Committee meetings, and whether adjustments are needed to the content shared. Members agreed that a lookback into pre-pandemic years is helpful.

Mejia outlined suggested topics from Full Committee members: maternal health utilization, new guidance released by the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) about the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit for children under 21 in Medicaid, and new services required under the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023.

Cannon and Mejia discussed drafting a CHIPAC priorities letter to be presented to the Full Committee at the December meeting.

Irma Blackwell shared a member story indicating a need for clarity among new parents about resources and supports available to them. The Subcommittee echoed the importance of helping families with navigation and offered to explore potential opportunities for Committee input.

### **III. Public Comment**

Mejia invited public comment but none was made.

The meeting adjourned at 10:54am.