

**1115 WAIVER TASK FORCE MEETING**  
**December 16, 2013**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Task Force Members Attending:** Jim Beasley, Rebecca Kislak, Maureen Maignet, Kathy McKeon, James Nyberg

**Staff Members and Public Attending:** Tara Townsend, Steven Patriarca, John Mansolillo, Thomas Marcello, Ken Pariseau, Deb Florio, Deborah Garneau, Holly Garvey, Anthony Salvo

**Deb Florio, EOHHS**, provided the task force with an update on the 1115 waiver. New CNOM populations include an Alzheimers Group, adults 19-64 who are at risk for long-term care admission and are in need of home and community based services. Their income must be at or below 250% FPL. Ms. Florio also spoke on the new Medicaid expansion group. Roughly 7,500 people will receive Medicaid coverage on January 1, 2014. The department is working with those Rite Care parents who lost coverage. Communication with this group is ongoing to ensure a transition to an appropriate healthcare option.

**Holly Garvey** provided the task force with an update on the Integrated Care Initiative. Phase I of the project focused on integrating Medicaid funded services. Notices were mailed out in September in which 4,000 individuals were enrolled in Connect Care Choice and Rhody Health Partners. Phase II of the program has a target date of January 2015 for a memorandum of understanding.

**Ann Martino, EOHHS**, informed the task force that the DHS and EOHHS websites are up to date. There will be a governor's budget next month that we will discuss with the task force.

The January 27, 2014 task force meeting will be held at the Arnold Conference Center, Eleanor Slater Hospital, 111 Howard Avenue, Cranston RI.