



MCAC Meeting Notes
September 4, 2013 7:00 AM
Hazard Building, Garden Conference Room

MCAC Members Present: Michael Fine, Christine Gadbois, Richard Wagner, Renee Rulin, Pat Flanagan, Stephen Davis, Dave Feeney, Cecilia Pelkey

Interested Parties Present: Nick Balog, Karen Mariano

Staff Present: Jerry Fingerut, Bill McQuade, Diana Beaton

Meeting Convened: 7:00 AM

1. **Welcome-** Bill McQuade, D. Sc.

2. **Medicaid Pre-Authorization Medical Policies** Jerry Fingerut, M.D.

Review and Discussion on Augmentation Mammography, Breast Reconstruction, Reduction Mammoplasty, Dermabrasion, Dynamic Splinting, Bariatric Surgery

The revised policies were distributed and discussed.

- Need procedure for benchmarking procedures

3. **Medicaid Provider Communications** Karen Mariano, R.Ph.

Distributed sample letters sent to providers. Gets a 35 % response rate. Asked MCAC for feedback. Mentioned that we have seen a duplication of prescribing. Also, we have seen changes in prescribing.

Discussion:

- The group felt this was a high response rate.
- Physicians won't read these long letters if they don't get paid for it.
- There is a P&T committee at health plans, but not a DUR committee.

Recommendations:

- Use short sentences and limit the content in letter if possible.
- Maybe only require short responses.
- Maybe focus just on opioids.

4. **Update on the State Innovation Model** Nick Balog

Presentation was given on the State Innovation Model. There's been a 2-3 month extension. A completed plan will be available by Dec 31, 2013. There was an open process with stakeholder groups. Meeting minutes are on

the Lt. Governor's website. Policy and regulations will be later.

Meeting Adjourned 8:00 AM

Next Meeting- Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at 7:00 AM