

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING**

In accordance Rhode Island General Laws (RIGL) 42-46, notice is hereby given that the Executive Office of Health and Human Services proposes to hold an Open Meeting to obtain Public Comments regarding the attached reports:

- Integrated Care and Financing for Medicare and Medicaid Beneficiaries
- Integrated Care for Medicare and Medicaid Beneficiaries- *A Demonstration Proposal to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services*

The Integrated Care and Financing for Medicare and Medicaid Beneficiaries Report provides EOHHS' review of the challenging health care needs of adults with disabilities and elders (dual eligibles and non-duals or Medicaid-only beneficiaries), the foundations for building a better, more consumer-centered services system, and the options available to the state to more fully integrate how to pay for, manage and deliver care for these beneficiaries. From a service perspective, EOHHS is focused on integration and choice, moving towards delivery systems that include the full continuum of care. Integral to those delivery systems will be the coordination and management of services.

The service integration will occur in two paths:

**By January 2013:**

1. RI Medicaid will enter into contracts with qualified Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) for Medicaid-funded primary, acute, and Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) services. The state will maintain the existing Rhody Health Partners (RHP) contracts, therefore offering two MCO products for elders and adults w/disabilities: one product for just primary and acute care and one product for integrated care. Intensive Behavioral Health (BH) services and Developmental Disabilities (DD) system LTSS services will be excluded from these contracts.
2. RI Medicaid will contract with a coordinating care entity for the management of Medicaid-funded primary, acute, and LTSS services incorporated into the Connect Care Choice (CCC) delivery system

By January 1, 2013, Medicaid-only and dual-eligible adults with disabilities and elders can choose to enroll in:

- ⇒ Enhanced CCC
- ⇒ RHP if they do not need LTSS; or
- ⇒ Managed LTSS option if they need those services

**By January 2014:**

RI Medicaid will enter into a three-way contract with qualified MCOs and CMS for all Medicaid and Medicare-funded services.

By January 1, 2014, dual-eligible adults with disabilities and elders can choose to enroll in:

- ⇒ Enhanced CCC model
- ⇒ Integrated MCO model

*Integrated Care for Medicare and Medicaid Beneficiaries- A Demonstration Proposal to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services* Report outlines EOHHS' approach to meet the guidance furnished by CMS for the Financial Alignment Demonstration Model. This guidance presents an opportunity for states to develop a three-way contract among CMS, EOHHS and MCOs for integrated care for Medicare and Medicaid Beneficiaries. MCOs will receive a blended capitated rate for the full continuum of benefits provided to Medicare-Medicaid enrollees across both programs. The capitated model will target aggregate savings through actuarially developed blended rates that will provide savings for both States and the Federal government. Plans will be required to meet established quality thresholds. The three-way contract among CMS, the State, and the MCOs will also test administrative, benefit and enrollment flexibilities that will further the goal of providing a seamless experience for Medicare-Medicaid enrollees utilizing a simplified and unified set of rules. The design model includes a thirty day public notice requirement to seek input to the proposal prior to submission of the proposal to CMS.

The Reports are accessible on the R.I. Secretary of State website (<http://www.sec.state.ri.us>) and the OHHS website ([www.ohhs.ri.gov](http://www.ohhs.ri.gov)) or available in hard copy upon request (401 462-2018 or RI Relay, dial 711). Two Open Meetings will be held to consider the public comments on the Reports. The first Open Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 11:00 AM at the Arnold Conference Center 111 Howard Avenue, Regan Building, Cranston, RI 02920. The second Open Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday May 15, 2012 at 4:00 PM at the DaVinci Center for Community Progress, Inc., 470 Charles Street, Providence, RI 02904. Persons wishing to submit written testimony may do so by Friday, May 25, 2012 to Kimberly Merolla-Brito, Office of Policy Development, Executive Office of Health and Human Services, Louis Pasteur Building, 57 Howard Avenue Fl # 1, Cranston, RI 02920.

The first Open Meeting will begin on May 3, 2012 at 11:00 A.M. and will conclude when the last speaker finishes testimony or at 1:00 P.M., whichever occurs first. The second Open Meeting will begin on May 15, 2012 at 4:00 P.M. and will conclude when the last speaker finishes testimony or at 6:00 P.M., whichever occurs first. The seating capacity will be enforced and therefore the number of persons participating in the Open Meeting may be limited at any given time by the Open Meeting officer, in order to comply with safety and fire codes.

The Arnold Conference Center and the DaVinci Center are accessible to the handicapped. Individuals with hearing impairments may request an interpreter's presence by calling 711 or Relay RI 1-800-745-6575 (Voice) and 1-800-745-555 (TDD). Requests for this service must be made at least 72 hours in advance of the Open Meeting date.

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