

**MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MAC)  
LONG TERM CARE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**

**Final Minutes of Friday, October 16, 2009**

**Members Present**

Mike O'Donnell, East Central Illinois  
Agency on Aging, Inc.  
Wayne Smallwood, Affordable Assisted  
Living Coalition

**Members Absent**

Robert Anselmo, Target Pharmacist  
Tony Paulauski, The Arc of Illinois  
Pat Comstock, Illinois Health Care Assn.  
IL Council on Long Term Care  
Susan Hughes, UIC  
Eli Pick, Ballard Health Care and MAC  
Chair

**State Staff Present**

Healthcare and Family Services:

Barb Ginder  
Mary Milburn  
Jim Parker  
Kelly Cunningham  
Shirley Whitcup  
Monica Hay

Illinois Department on Aging:

Sandy Alexander

The meeting began at 10:10 am with introductions.

**Medical Administrator's Report:** No report was given.

**State Agency Reports:**

**Aging:**

- Received Lifespan Respite Care Grant of \$200,000 over 3 years
- Received Disability Resource Center funding from Administration on Aging. Will partner with Area Agencies on Aging to implement.
- Will develop 5-year plan to expand points of entry across the state in addition to Areas 1, 5, and 13
- Rules were proposed to change the Community Care Program's service cost maximums from utilizing a range of Determination of Need (DON) scores to a single score; however, objections to the rulemaking were filed at the September 15, 2009 JCAR meeting. The projected November 1, 2009 implementation date is uncertain.

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**DHS-DD:**

- Work to renew two children's waivers is underway. These waivers expire June 30, 2010.

**HFS-Supportive Living Program Update:**

- There are currently 115 operational Supportive Living Facilities, with another 31 applications approved to proceed toward certification. Clarification was offered that “supportive living” and “supportive housing” are different models of housing.
- Participants engaged in a discussion regarding the relationship of Supportive Living to the Medicaid program, Supportive Housing and the Department on Aging’s “Community Care in Residential Settings” assisted living program.
- Rulemaking was adopted 8/1/09 to create a pilot to test the provision of supportive living-type services to individuals with dementia. The Department may select up to five providers to participate in this demonstration.

**MFP Update:**

- The federal budget request is due 10/31.
- Jean Summerfield and Kelly Cunningham will attend the federal Project Director’s meeting in Annapolis, Maryland later in the month.
- Each population included in the federal demonstration is rolling out in different geographical areas of the state, and under different timelines.
- UIC-College of Nursing is working under contract with HFS to train Transition Coordinators.

**Home and Community Based-Services Waiver Conference in Colorado:**

- Deputy Medicaid Administrator Barb Ginder attended this conference. Ms. Ginder and Michael O’Donnell shared information regarding several of the conference proceedings, including a strategy that the national Association of Area Agencies on Aging has promulgated to rebalance long term care; federal CMS’ interest in quality assurance and data management; and the Elder Care Locator project enhancement.

**Medicaid Managed Care:**

- Deputy Medicaid Administrator Jim Parker reported that HFS has been directed by the Governor’s Office to develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) to obtain at least 2 managed care organizations charged with coordinating and integrating services to the AABD population in “to be determined” service area in Northern Illinois. Advocacy groups will be briefed in coming weeks. Specific due dates and time frames for release of the proposal and implementation of the program are still underway.

**Next Meeting: December 16, 2009**

**The meeting adjourned at noon.**