

INCOME MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IMAC)

Thursday, November 18th, 2021

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Zoom: <https://dhs.wi.zoomgov.com/j/16175504471>

Minutes

Non-State Attendees:

Mia Anderson-Inman	Walworth County	Nikia Morton	Dane County
Amy Beranek	Dodge County	John Rathman	Outagamie County
Roxann Binkowski	Waushara County	Ron Redell	Dane County
Mitch Birkey	Calumet County	Nicole Rolain	Marathon County
Kate Chambers	Iowa County	Jessica Schultze	Jefferson County
Michele Chiuchiolo	Dane County	Tony Sis	Dane County
Adam Chorlton	Dane County	Carol Sjoblom	Columbia County
Heidi DeNure	Dodge County	Stacey Stewart	Washington County
Mary Donahue	Rock County	Rose Strege	Stockbridge Munsee Tribe
Anna Dubinsky	Racine County	Amber Taylor	Adams County
Antonio Esterrich	Dane County	Nina Taylor	Kenosha County
Katie Gonzalez Martin	Portage County	Roxana Vega	Dane County
Lorie Graff	La Crosse County	Carol Wautlet	Door County
Chelsey Groessl	Brown County	Kris Weden	IM Central
Robert Klingforth	Waukesha County	Kathy Welke	Eau Claire County
Ann Kriegel	Winnebago County	Debra Williquette	Manitowoc County
Doreen Lang	Wood County	Amberlyn Yohn	Racine County
Annett Mooney	Marquette County		

State and Federal Attendees:

Julie Anstett	DHS	Becky Luebke	DHS
Autumn Arnold	DHS	Wendy Metcalf	DHS
LaTanya Baldwin	DHS	Gigi Miller	DHS
Tami Berg	DHS	Charlie Morgan	LEGIS
Kristine Bovee	DHS	Jody Noble	DHS
Candice Canales	DHS	Michael Poma	DHS
Rebecca David	DHS	Katie Quaintance	DHS
Elizabeth Dehling	DHS	Vanessa Robertson	DHS
Kent Ellis	DCF	Katie Sepnieski	DHS
Tonya Evans	DHS	Shena Smith	DHS
April Ferstl	DCF	Angela Stanford	DHS

Masiel Gomez	DHS	Carla Sumner	DCF
Danielle Graham-Heine	DHS	Laurie Teubert	DHS
Alicia Grulke	DHS	Molly Thomas	DHS
Nicole Huffman	DHS	Melissa Todd	DHS
Nick Kwaw	DHS	Larissa Tomczak	DHS
True Lor	DHS	Leah Watson	DHS

AGENDA

Administrative Updates (Katie Sepnieski & John Rathman)

- Report attendance by e-mailing to this mailbox DHSBEOTAdmin@dhs.wisconsin.gov
- An Operations Memo will be sent to Forward Health Partners concerning the December CARES Releases for ACCESS and MyACCESS on December 6th, 2021. On December 11th, 2021 these changes shared will take into effect within ACCESS and MyACCESS.
- Katie Davis (WHCSA Director) will be departing from her current role at the end of 2021.
- Becky Luebke is the new Area Administrator for the Northern Region and will be participating in future IMAC meetings.

Approval of October 18th, 2021 Meeting Minutes (Katie Sepnieski)

- Motion to approve the minutes were made, seconded and approved by consensus.

Policy Updates/COVID-19 Policy updates (Autumn Arnold)

• HealthCare Updates:

The Federal Government has not notified DHS confirming the Public Health Emergency (PHE) will end on January 16th, 2022 as there is an expectation that states will receive a 60 day notice prior to PHE ending. Due to this, COVID unwinding will be delayed until March or April 2022.

• FoodShare Updates:

- Upcoming Emergency Allotment dates:
 - November 2021 emergency allotment will be issued this weekend. Issued 11/20/21 and available for members 11/21/21.
 - October 2021 catch up issuance occurs on December 10th, 2021 and will be available to members on December 11th, 2021. ** This is a change from the previously scheduled date of December 11th, 2021, being available to members on December 12th, 2021.
 - November 2021 catch up issuance is tentatively scheduled for January 8th, 2022 and will be available to members on January 9th, 2022.

PEBT Updates:

- 2020-2021 P-EBT Issuance Totals To Date:
 - Pre-6 P-EBT: Over \$62 million has been issued to more than 100,000 individual children
 - School P-EBT: Over \$211 million has been issued to nearly 293,000 individual students as of October 28th, 2021.
 - Summer P-EBT: Nearly \$161 million issued to over 429,000 individual children as of October 28th, 2021.

- Closed out of the 2020-2021 School Year
 - New inquiries regarding P-EBT benefits from the 2020-2021 school year are no longer being accepted as of October 8th, 2021.
 - Any questions can be directed to the P-EBT Support Team.
- P-EBT in the 2021-2022 School Year
 - DHS is continuing to have internal discussions and conversations with other state agencies to understand options for School P-EBT and Pre-6 P-EBT this year based on the new guidance.
 - DHS is planning to submit a plan to FNS for review and approval and will share more details once a plan has been approved.

2021 Management Evaluation Presentation

- Molly Thomas presented on the 2021 Management evaluation review. See the PowerPoint titled *"2021 Management Evaluation Review"* for additional information.

Subcommittee Updates

- IMOA subcommittee met on November 5th, 2021. Kathy Welke shared key discussion points from that meeting (see attachment). Next meeting is December 3rd, 2021.
- FPIP Subcommittee met on November 9th, 2021. Mary Donahue shared key discussion points from that meeting (see attachment). Next meeting is scheduled for February 8th, 2022.
- Program Coordination met on October 20th, 2021. Katie Sepnieski shared key discussion points from that meeting (see attachment). Next meeting is scheduled for January 26th, 2022.
- IMAC Training Subcommittee met on October 26th, 2021. Anna Dubinsky shared key discussion points from that meeting (see attachment). Next meeting is scheduled for January 24th, 2022.
- Call Center Operational/Technical subcommittee met on October 11th, 2021 and October 25th, 2021. Kris Weden shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting was November 8th, 2021.

Regional Enrollment Network (John Rathman)

- REN members will be participating in the upcoming unwinding task force and are very interested in how to best manage the large workload that will impact CAC's and navigators once the public health emergency ends and unwinding begins.
- There is a renewed effort to reactive local regional enrollment networks. At the present time, only East Central has an active regional REN.

Income Maintenance (IM) Funding and Contract Updates (Katie Sepnieski & John Rathman)

- Two areas of the contract are still in negotiation. This includes overpayments and ensuring language is reflective in the contract for the overpayment performance measure. The contract negotiation team is actively in discussions on these areas.

Consortia Feedback (John Rathman)

- Further discussion on the SWICA drops at IMOA in December. Consortia have concerns about the volume of workload, especially in light of reduced staff time due to holidays and COVID illness. Is there potential for consortia to receive a formal extension on working the November SWICA drop? As long as the public health emergency continues, consortia would like to discuss excluding health care only SWICA's or change the retrieve spect to only impact new cases since the last SWICA drop pull date.
- Further discussion on the notice project at IMOA in December. There are continued and increased worker safety concerns and consortia would like to have a work-around developed to remove individual worker names on all notices sooner or expedite the project with Deloitte to have CARES changes made as soon as possible.

Administrative Memos (Katie Sepnieski)

- FPIP draft administrative memo is being reviewed with OIG and then will follow the publishing process.
- The draft overpayment administrative memo is being reviewed by consortia. Consortia have until November 26th, 2021 to respond with feedback.
- The ARPA Administrative Memo is currently being reviewed for finalization.

Gap Case Monthly Update

- GAP Case Numbers – See attachment "*GAP Case Report*" – October 2021.

Public Comments

- None.

Tentative Future Agenda Topics