INCOME MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IMAC)

Thursday, June 20, 2024

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Zoom: https://dhswi.zoomgov.com/j/1619409056

Minutes

Invitees

Attendees (X = Attended)						
\boxtimes	Katie Sepnieski – DHS BEOT	\boxtimes	Tarah Richardson – DHS BEOT			
\boxtimes	Alicia Grulke – DHS BEOT		Elizabeth Olsen – DHS BEOT			
\boxtimes	Ashley Schabel – DHS BEOT		LaTanya Taylor – DHS BEOT			
\boxtimes	Jody Noble – DHS BEOT		Paul Michael - DHS			
\boxtimes	Pang Xiong – DHS BEOT	\boxtimes	Autumn Arnold – DHS BEEP			
	Molly Thomas – DHS BEOT		Brookelynn Slamka – DHS BEEP			
\boxtimes	Angela Stanford – DHS BEOT		Valeri Kazakhetsyan – DHS BEEP			
	Alexia Hamilton – DHS BEOT		Laurie Teubert – DHS BEEP			
	Nick Kwaw – DHS BEOT		Nicole Huffman – DHS BEEP			
	Linsey Donaldson – DHS BEOT		True Lor – DHS BEEP			
	Victoria Conley – DHS BEEP		Laura Hanson – DHS BEEP			
\boxtimes	Bay Lake – Chelsey Groessl		Rebecca David – DHS BEEP			
	Bay Lake – Becky Hetfield-Salentine	\boxtimes	MilES – Monica Gregory			
\boxtimes	Capital – Shawn Tessmann		MilES – Shawnte Julien			
\boxtimes	Capital – Adam Chorlton		Moraine Lakes – Mia Anderson-Inman			
\boxtimes	Central – Nicole Rolain	\boxtimes	Moraine Lakes – Heather Merten			
	Central – Amanda Brooks	\boxtimes	Northern – Steve Budnik			
\boxtimes	East Central – Ann Kriegel	\boxtimes	Northern – Jeanine Spuhler			
	East Central – Annett Mooney	\boxtimes	Southern – Kate Chambers			
\boxtimes	Great Rivers – Kathy Welke (co-chair)	\boxtimes	Southern – Laci Bainbridge			
\boxtimes	Great Rivers – Ronda Brown	\boxtimes	Western – Lorie Graff (co-chair)			
	East Central – John Rathman (co-chair)		Western – Tricia Wavra			
	WKRP – Katie Kasprzak		WKRP – Kimm Peters			
\boxtimes	Thor Neng - DCF		Kevin Wetherbee			
	Cheryl Kawlewski – Portage County	\boxtimes	Tami Berg - OIG			
\boxtimes	Gage Winkelmann – DCF		Nicole Koch - OIG			

\boxtimes	Barbara Honsa - DCF		Lauren Heitman – DHS Area Admin	
	Kent Ellis - DCF		Shine Baby– DHS BSM	
	Annie Griggs – DCF		Suzanne Cone – DHS BSM	
\boxtimes	Jessica Schultze – Jefferson County		Darin Petesch – DHS BSM	
	Darsell Johns – MilES		Mai Yee Xiong – DHS BSM	
	Michael Poma - MilES	\boxtimes	Shauna Grossman - DHS	
	Tim McGuire - MilES		Shelli Essmann DHS Area Admin	
\boxtimes	Mac Strawder - MilES	\boxtimes	Carol Waulet – Door County	
	Brenda Belanger-Red Cliff		Amber Taylor – Adams County	
	Wendy Corbine - Bad RIver		Kris Weden – Marathon County	
\boxtimes	Renee Lyman – Dodge County		Raelle Allen - Lac du Flambeau Tribe	
	Carol Sjoblom – Columbia County	\boxtimes	Maria Delagado – Southern	
	Alyson Wagoner - Forest County Potawatomi	\boxtimes	Roxann Binkowski – Waushara County	
\boxtimes	Heidrun Kovach – Dane County	\boxtimes	Adam Chorlton – Capital Consortia	
\boxtimes	Mitch Birkey – Calumet County		Deb Bohlman – Fond du Lac County	
	Kesha Cole – Ozaukee County		Amy Beranek – Dodge County	
	Michele Chiuchiolo – Dane County		Melissa Todd	
	Deb Williquette – Manitowoc County		Rob Klingforth – Moraine Lakes	
	Ron Redell – Dane County		Cortney Hebel – Dane County	
	Kara Ponti – Dane County		Charlie Morgan – WI Legislature	

AGENDA

Welcome (Katie Sepnieski & Kathy Welke)

Report attendance by replying to the email from <u>DHSBEOTAdmin@dhs.wisconsin.gov</u>.

Approval of May 16, 2024, Meeting Minutes (Katie Sepnieski)

• Motions made to approve the minutes by Ann Kriegel and Steve Budnik and approved by consensus.

Policy Updates (Department of Health Services)

Healthcare

Medicaid Purchase Plan (MAPP) Premiums

- MAPP premiums will be reinstated in August 2024. The Operations Memo was published on May 31, 2024, and a CARES Coordinator Notice with talking points were issued on June 3, 2024.
- Initial letters were mailed to members the week of June 10, 2024. Premium amounts will be set during a conversion on June 29, 2024, with notices going out the following week, followed by premium statements later in the month.

Below shows recent and upcoming Operations Memo's:

New Requirement for the Oral	Clarifies FoodShare case	Published June 10, 2024	
Explanation of FoodShare Work	confirmation policy during		
Requirements	ABAWD and Work Registrant		
	determinations.		
Eligibility Policies Related to	Clarifies that income from UBI	Published June 10, 2024	
Universal Basic Income	programs is disregarded for		
	eligibility considerations.		
Personal Needs Allowance	Medicaid's Personal Needs	Target date of June 21, 2024	
increase effective July 2024	Allowance (PNA) is the amount		
	of monthly income a Medicaid-		
	funded nursing home resident		
	can keep of their personal		
	income. This memo announces		
	an increase to the PNA from		
	\$45 to \$55/mo. Effective		
	7/1/24.		
Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees	Ukrainians and persons with	Target date of June 28, 2024	
Eligible for BadgerCare Plus,	no nationalities who were		
Medicaid, and FoodShare	residing in Ukraine and		
	subsequently paroled into the		
	United States between		
	February 24, 2022, and		
	September 30, 2024, are to be		
	treated as refugees when		
	determining their eligibility for		
	BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid,		
	and FoodShare.		

FoodShare

Waived Telephonic Signatures

 The current waiver that allows workers to accept a verbal signature when a recorded one cannot be taken, ends June 30, 2024. Wisconsin been approved for a new waiver that will continue to allow workers to accept a verbal signature when a recorded one cannot be taken. More information regarding the policy and functionality is forthcoming.

Subcommittee Updates (Income Maintenance Agency Subcommittee Co-Chairs)

- Income Maintenance Operational Analysis (IMOA) subcommittee met on June 7, 2024. Kathy Welke shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting is July 11, 2024.
- Performance Monitoring Subcommittee met on May 15, 2024. Ann Kriegel shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting is July 17, 2024.
- Fraud and Program Integrity Subcommittee met on May 14, 2024. Tami Berg shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting is August 13, 2024.
- Call Center Technical Subcommittee met on June 10, 2024. See attachment for key discussion points.

Income Maintenance (IM) Funding and Contract Updates (Alicia Grulke & Kathy Welke)

• The Department and WHCSA have reviewed the Income Maintenance contract and proposed changes. Contract Negotiation meetings will begin in June 2024.

Consortia Feedback (Kathy Welke)

None

Administrative Memos (Alicia Grulke & Kathy Welke)

• The Administrator's Memo 24-03, "Estate Recovery Incentive Funds" has been published.

Regional Enrollment Network (Lorie Graff)

None

Public Comment

None

Announcements

- The July 2024 IMAC meeting will be cancelled. The cadence of the meeting will return to nine meetings per year, excluding the months of March, July, and September.
- The Department would like to thank everyone involved in the day to operations during the PHE Unwinding. Wisconsin is one of the top leaders in the work that has been done.
- Pang Xiong, the section manager for Enrollment Management Central Application Processing Operation (EMCAPO) is retiring in August 2024. This position has been posted on https://wisc.jobs/Pages/Welcome.aspx.
- Dinar Shrestha, the lead staff within EMCAPO is retiring in October 2024. This position has been filled.
- For upcoming meetings in 2024, send agenda items to the WHCSA Tri Chairs or Bureau of Eligibility Operations and Training operations associate at DHSBEOTAdmin@dhs.wisconsin.gov.