

INCOME MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IMAC)

Thursday, November 21, 2024

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

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

Minutes

Invitees

Attendees (X = Attended)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Katie Sepnieski – DHS BEOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tarah Richardson – DHS BEOT
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alicia Grulke – DHS BEOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LaTanya Taylor – DHS BEOT
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ashley Schabel – DHS BEOT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Paul Michael - DHS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jody Noble – DHS BEOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Autumn Arnold – DHS BEEP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pungnou Her – DHS BEOT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brookelynn Slamka – DHS BEEP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Molly Thomas – DHS BEOT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Valeri Kazakhetsyan – DHS BEEP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Angela Stanford – DHS BEOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Laurie Teubert – DHS BEEP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alexia Hamilton – DHS BEOT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nicole Huffman – DHS BEEP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nick Kwaw – DHS BEOT	<input type="checkbox"/>	True Lor – DHS BEEP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Linsey Donaldson – DHS BEOT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Laura Hanson – DHS BEEP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Victoria Conley – DHS BEEP	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rebecca David – DHS BEEP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bay Lake – Chelsey Groessl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Moraine Lakes – Mia Anderson-Inman
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bay Lake – Becky Hetfield-Salentine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Moraine Lakes – Heather Merten
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Capital – Shawn Tessmann	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Northern – Steve Budnik
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Capital – Adam Chorlton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Northern – Jeanine Spuhler
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Central – Nicole Rolain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Southern – Kate Chambers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Central – Amanda Brooks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Southern – Laci Bainbridge
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	East Central – Ann Kriegel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Western – Lorie Graff (co-chair)
<input type="checkbox"/>	East Central – Annett Mooney	<input type="checkbox"/>	Western – Tricia Wavra
<input type="checkbox"/>	Great Rivers – Kathy Welke (co-chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WKRP – Kimm Peters
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Great Rivers – Ronda Brown	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kevin Wetherbee
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	East Central – John Rathman (co-chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tami Berg - OIG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WKRP – Katie Kasprzak	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Ewing – DHS BEOT
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Jessica Schultze – Jefferson County	<input type="checkbox"/>	Darin Petesch – DHS BSM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Darsell Johns – Ozaukee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Christina Tuenge -Great Rivers
<input type="checkbox"/>	Michael Poma - MilES	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shauna Grossman - DHS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tim McGuire - MilES	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shelli Essmann DHS Area Admin
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mac Strawder - MilES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Carol Waulet – Door County
<input type="checkbox"/>	Brenda Belanger-Red Cliff	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amber Taylor – Adams County
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wendy Corbine - Bad River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kris Weden – Marathon County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Renee Lyman – Dodge County	<input type="checkbox"/>	Raelle Allen - Lac du Flambeau Tribe
<input type="checkbox"/>	Carol Sjoblom – Columbia County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Maria Delagado – Southern
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rebecca Luebke – Area Admin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Roxann Binkowski – Waushara County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Heidrun Kovach – Dane County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	April Ferstl – DCF
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mitch Birkey – Calumet County	<input type="checkbox"/>	Deb Bohlman – Fond du Lac County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kesha Cole – Ozaukee County	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amy Beranek – Dodge County
<input type="checkbox"/>	Michele Chiuchiolo – Dane County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Melissa Todd
<input type="checkbox"/>	Deb Williquette – Manitowoc County	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rob Klingforth – Moraine Lakes
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Kristin Latus – WKRP		

AGENDA

Welcome (Katie Sepnieski & John Rathman)

- Report attendance by replying to the email from DHSBEOTAdmin@dhs.wisconsin.gov.
- The December 2024 Income Maintenance Advisory Committee (IMAC) subcommittee meeting is cancelled.

Approval of October 17, 2024, Meeting Minutes (Katie Sepnieski)

- Motions made to approve the minutes by Steve Budnik and Adam Chorlton, then approved by consensus.

Policy Updates (Department of Health Services)

Healthcare

Medicaid Purchase Plan (MAPP)

- The Department continues working to address systems and process challenges related to the reinstatement of MAPP premiums.
- Terminations of MAPP coverage for members that do not pay their premium on time remain paused. During this temporary pause, MAPP members are still expected to pay premiums, but will not lose coverage because of not paying their premium.
- The Department remains committed to letting income maintenance and other interested partners know at least a month in advance of resuming premium-related disenrollments.

Operations Memos

- The Department recently published three health care operations memos:
 - [Operations Memo 24-29](#) removing the policy to count cash benefits a person may be entitled to but not receiving effective January 1, 2025, was published on November 7th,
 - [Operations Memo 24-31](#) announcing ten new class of admission codes for immigrants was published on November 12th, and
 - [Operations Memo 24-32](#) for the Private Pay Nursing Home and Group B Plus Waiver Rates was published on November 18th.
- Additional annual health care operations memos that will be published include:
 - The Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) for Medicaid for the Elderly, Blind, or Disabled, which announces this year's Social Security COLA and the resulting increase in some Medicaid financial eligibility limits for 2025.
 - The Annual Update to Income Thresholds for Determining Whether a Child or Tax Dependent is Expected to be Required to File a Tax Return.
- The mass change for the COLA and rate changes will occur on December 7, 2024.

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Recipients Eligibility for Marketplace Plans

- Eligibility for Marketplace coverage was extended to DACA, and certain other noncitizens, including:
 - Individuals granted Special Immigrant Juvenile status,
 - Children under the age of 14 applying for asylum or humanitarian relief, and
 - Individuals with pending applications for adjustment of status.
- The federal rule did not change the members eligibility for BadgerCare Plus or Medicaid. It created a way for members to obtain health care coverage with tax credits on the Marketplace as early as December.

FoodShare

- [Operations Memo 24-33](#), Update to the Good Cause Policy for Not Meeting the FoodShare Work Requirement, was published.

Subcommittee Updates (Income Maintenance Agency Subcommittee Co-Chairs)

- Income Maintenance Operational Analysis (IMOA) subcommittee met November 1, 2024. John Rathman shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting is December 13, 2024.
- Call Center Technical subcommittee met on October 14 and November 11, 2024. Kris Weden shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting is November 25, 2024.
- Training subcommittee met on October 28, 2024. Shelby Jenson shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting is January 27, 2025.
- The Fraud and Program Integrity subcommittee met on November 12, 2024. Robert Klingforth shared key discussion points (see attachment). Next meeting is February 11, 2025.

Benefit Recovery Investigation Tracking System Update (BRITS) (April Ferstl)

- April Ferstl presented on the Benefit Recovery Investigation Tracking System. See attachment for details.

Management Evaluation Review (Molly Thomas)

- Molly Thomas presented on information on the Management Evaluation Review. See attachment for details.

Income Maintenance (IM) Funding and Contract Updates (Alicia Grulke & John Rathman)

- None

Consortia Feedback (John Rathman)

- Consortia is asking for actions that can be taken regarding the large number of duplicate applications through the Federally Facilitated Marketplace applications (FFM) for the same applicant to reduce the number of duplicate requests.
- Consortia is requesting targeted discussions at Income Maintenance Operational Advisory (IMOA) on Genesys technical and training items to assist consortia in understanding the system and the Artificial Intelligence (AI) capabilities.
- Consortia is asking for topics at IMOA to discuss LEAN Processing for topics such as:
 - Self-Employment
 - Medical Expenses
 - Align Policy across programs
- Consortia is asking if MilES is currently using the Worker Productivity Dashboard.

Administrative Memos (Alicia Grulke & John Rathman)

- Customer Service Administrators Memo 24-04 was published on October 23, 2024.

Regional Enrollment Network (Lorie Graff)

- Open enrollment began November 1, 2024, and goes through January 15, 2025.

Public Comment

- None

Announcements

- For upcoming meetings in 2025, send agenda items to the WHCSA Tri Chairs or Bureau of Eligibility Operations and Training operations associate at DHSBEOTAdmin@dhs.wisconsin.gov.