HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES STEERING COMMITTEE

*Boise Centre on the Grove ~ 110C*

*IAC Annual Conference ~ Boise, ID*

*Tuesday, September 25, 2018 ~ 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM*

MEETING MINUTES

1:30 PM **Call to Order** - Chair, Helen Edwards, Gooding County Commissioner

* Welcome and Introductions
* Approval of February 2018 Meeting Minutes

***Doug Zenner made a motion to approve the minutes from February 2018. Elt Hasbrouck seconded. Motion carried.***

1:35 PM **CAT Board Update**

**Roger Christensen, Bonneville County Commissioner & Kathryn Mooney, CAT Program Director**

Kathryn Mooney gave the committee a presentation on the annual CAT fund report. Cases and the dollars amounts spent increased from FY17 to FY18. The increase is believed to be because of the changes in the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and the individual mandate included in the ACA being repealed. The CAT fund has seen an increase in continuing care also.

Mental health costs increased from $6M to $8.5M. Indigent county caseload trends have been on the rise for the lasts three years along with the utilization of medical reviews. The reimbursements counties receive have maintained average.

The budget request for FY20 includes an additional $10M because of the increase in the number of cases. The CAT fund expects to spend about $21M in the next year.

2:00 PM **Health District Update**

**Carol Moerhle, Public Health District 2**

* Foster Care – Citizen Review Panels

Carol Moerhle spoke about the citizen review panels that the legislature wrote into legislation this last session that said they would be the administer of the panels that would assist in the foster care program. The legislation also gave the Supreme Court the responsibility of creating the training for the review panels. The trainings will be held in the last week in November.

All members of the panels participated in background checks and they should be reviewing cases by December. There are about 1400 children in the system that need to be reviewed. The panel members set a priority to review the cases that have been open for longer than 120 days.

The public health districts are working on bylaws for the panels and procedures so there is consistency across the state.

2:20 PM **Medicaid Expansion Ballot Initiative Update**

**Toni Lawson, Idaho Hospital Association**

Toni Lawson explained that Medicaid currently covers children, low income, pregnant women, people with disabilities, and elderly adults and that it is a cost share program with the State. The State pays a match rate of 29%. This is a pretty high match and Idaho has been at this rate for a while. Most enrollees in Medicaid are children but the majority of the costs are from elderly adults. Medicaid costs in Idaho for the last fiscal year was $2.1B.

When the ACA was passed more people were covered by insurance. After the ADA was implemented there was a legal challenge that said that States were not required to expand and Idaho did not. As a result of Idaho not expanding Medicaid, there became approximately 62K people in the coverage gap. The top 10 occupations of individuals in the coverage gap are: restaurant/food services, construction, child day care services, animal production, landscaping services, hotel/motels, crop production, business support services (call & service centers), entertainment & recreation, and personal care support.

Reclaim Idaho, a citizens grassroots group gathered signatures to have a ballot initiative to break the State’s trend of not covering Idahoans. 75,000 people signed a ballot initiative petition to expand Medicaid in Idaho, otherwise known as Prop 2. If Prop 2 passes it becomes law; however, the legislature has to figure out how to implement it. Prop 2 has many endorsements and has many opponents.

If Prop 2 passes, the State would have a new federal/state match rate for this new covered population. The State would have a match rate of 10% and the federal government’s match rate would be 90%. The current Medicaid match rate still changes based on per capita income.

A study done by the University of Idaho shows what the impact would be to the State. The cost to the State over the next 10 years would be approximately $530M with $4.6B coming back to Idaho. The Milliman report shows about $97M from 2020-2030 in property tax savings across the state.

Kelli Brassfield asked the committee to create a workgroup to discuss the impacts to counties if Prop 2 passes and steps forward in either the event of passing or failing. Tom Dale, Colleen Poole, Jacob Greenberg, and Carrie Bird volunteered to work with Kelli on this workgroup.

2:40 PM **Resolutions**

* HHS-01 Behavioral Health Boards – Tom Lamar

HHS-01 removed the requirement that the appointing authority of the Behavioral Health Boards has to be a Chairman of a Board of County Commissioners from that district. This requirement limits the seat and the commissioners believe the seat should be held by one of the commissioners currently on the board, which may not always be a chairman.

***Terry Kramer made a motion to approve HHS-01. Tom Lamar seconded. Motion carried.***

* HHS-02 Indigent Jail Medical - Joe Mallet

HHS-02 makes the law clear that Sheriffs are only required to provide health care when someone is incarcerated. The current law is a little vague and there is now case law that states Sheriffs are required to provide medical care to those individuals who were incarcerated; however, are now released.

***Tom Lamar made a motion to approve HHS-02. Doug Zenner seconded. Motion carried.***

Angenie McCleary stated that since this is the first of hearing of this issue, she is unable to support.

* HHS-03 Medicaid Expansion – Jacob Greenberg

HHS-03 proposes to expand Medicaid to include persons under sixty-five (65) years of age whose modified adjusted gross income in one hundred thirty-three percent (133%) of the federal poverty level or below who are not otherwise eligible for any other coverage under the State plan.

***Terry Kramer made a motion to approve HHS-03. Angenie McCleary seconded. Motion carried.***

3:20 PM **Policy Statement**

The committee decided to continue to review the policy statement and take it up at the next meeting.

3:30 PM **Adjourn**

Members

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