

Board of Community Health
Meeting
January 11, 2018

Members Present

Norman Boyd
Roger Folsom
Allana Cummings
Anthony Williamson
Russell Crutchfield
Russ Childers
Kenneth Davis

Members Absent

Mark Trail

The Board of Community Health held its regularly scheduled meeting at the Department of Community Health (DCH), 5th Floor Board Room, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia. (An agenda and a List of Attendees are attached hereto and made an official part of these Minutes as Attachments #1 and #2). Chairman Norman Boyd presided and called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

Minutes

The Minutes of the December 14, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

Opening Comments

None to report.

Committee Reports

None to report.

Commissioner's Report

None to report, due to attendance at the State of the State Address.

Heather Bond, Assistant Chief, Regulatory Services and Compliance presented to the Board for final adoption the Medicaid State Plan Amendment: School Department of Education (DOE) Direct Nursing Services Proposed Agreement Public Notice.

Effective on January 1, 2018, and pending Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approval, the Department proposes to reimburse Department of Education, Local

Education Authorities for direct nursing services at the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) Rate.

| | State Cost | Federal Cost | Total Cost |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| SFY 2018 | \$0 | \$17,318,547.79 | \$17,318,547.79 |
| SFY 2019 | \$0 | \$34,637,095.58 | \$34,637,095.58 |

Georgia's Medicaid School Based Claiming Program consists of a Direct Service Claiming (DSC) Medicaid reimbursement program component. This school-based program will assist participating school districts, referred to as Local Education Agencies (LEAs), including charter schools, by reimbursing them for Medicaid-covered direct medical services provided to Medicaid students.

The purpose of the Program is to allow LEAs to receive reimbursement for Medicaid-covered direct medical services provided by school nurses to Title XIX and XXI eligible students.

The covered services must be primarily medical and not educational in nature. The services must be provided by a qualified provider to children in families that meet Medicaid income eligibility requirements. They must be considered medically necessary for the child.

Please see the following table comparing the Children's Intervention School Services (CISS) Program to the School Nurses Program. The programs are kept distinct due to the different member population eligible for each program, as well as the different provider types eligible to provide services in each program.

| | Children's Intervention School Services (CISS) | School Nurses |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Member Population Eligible | Children with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) at a public school: Children in public schools who have special needs. | All enrolled Medicaid and CHIP children at a Georgia school. |
| Provider Type Eligible | Registered nurses. | Georgia licensed nurses. |

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| <p>Services Eligible</p> | <p>T1502: Medication Administration.</p> <p>T1002: Registered Nursing Services up to 15 minutes.</p> | <p>Conducting medical/health assessments/evaluations and diagnostic testing and preparing related reports.</p> <p>Providing personal aide services.</p> <p>Administering first aid, or prescribed injection or medication to a student.</p> <p>Providing direct clinical/treatment services.</p> <p>Performing developmental assessments.</p> <p>Providing counseling services to treat health, mental health, or substance abuse conditions.</p> <p>Developing a treatment plan (medical plan of care) for a student if provided as a medical service.</p> <p>Performing routine or mandated child health screens including but not limited to vision, hearing, dental, scoliosis, and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) screens.</p> <p>Providing immunizations.</p> <p>Activities that are services, or components of services, listed in the state's Medicaid plan.</p> |
| <p>Reimbursement Methodology</p> | <p>Certified Public Expenditure.</p> | <p>Certified Public Expenditure.</p> |

An opportunity for public comment was held on December 20, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Written comments were accepted on or before December 27, 2017. No comments were received.

Ms. Bond respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of final adoption.

Russell Crutchfield MADE a MOTION to approve for final adoption the Medicaid State Plan Amendment: School Department of Education (DOE) Direct Nursing Services Proposed Agreement Public Notice. Roger Folsom SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 7, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED. (A copy of the Medicaid State Plan Amendment: School Department of Education (DOE) Direct Nursing Services Proposed Agreement Public Notice is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #3).

Melanie Simon, Division Chief, Healthcare Facility Regulation (HFR) presented to the Board for initial adoption the proposed revised Rules and Regulations for Licensure of Clinical Laboratories. The revised rules are being proposed pursuant to the authority granted the Department of Community Health in O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21 and O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21.1.

Board members were provided a copy of the synopsis of proposed rule changes and revised rules. During the oral presentation, the following was discussed:

- The rule revisions are necessary to comply with HB 210 which changes the definition of "clinical laboratory."

An opportunity for public comment will be held on February 13, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Written comments will be accepted on or before February 16, 2018.

Ms. Simon respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of initial adoption.

Kenneth Davis MADE a MOTION to approve for initial adoption the Rules and Regulations for Licensure of Clinical Laboratories. Russ Childers SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 7, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED. (A copy of the Rules and Regulations for Licensure of Clinical Laboratories is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #4).

Melanie Simon, Division Chief, Healthcare Facility Regulation (HFR) presented to the Board for initial adoption the proposed revised Rules and Regulations for Nursing Homes, Chapter 111-8-56. The revised rules are being proposed pursuant to the authority

granted the Department of Community Health in O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21 and O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21.1.

Board members were provided a copy of the synopsis of proposed rule changes and revised rules. During the oral presentation, the following was discussed:

- The rule revisions are necessary to comply with Senate Bill 96 which changes the medical care requirements for pronouncements of death.

An opportunity for public comment will be held on February 13, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Written comments will be accepted on or before February 16, 2018.

Ms. Simon respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of initial adoption.

Allana Cummings MADE a MOTION to approve for initial adoption the Rules and Regulations for Nursing Homes. Roger Folsom SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 7, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED. (A copy of the Rules and Regulations for Nursing Homes is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #5).

Melanie Simon, Division Chief, Healthcare Facility Regulation (HFR) presented to the Board for initial adoption the proposed revised Rules and Regulations for Hospices, Chapter 111-8-37. The revised rules are being proposed pursuant to the authority granted the Department of Community Health in O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21 and O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21.1.

Board members were provided a copy of the synopsis of proposed rule changes and revised rules. During the oral presentation, the following was discussed:

- The rule revisions are necessary to comply with Senate Bill 96 which changes the nursing services requirements for pronouncements of death.

An opportunity for public comment will be held on February 13, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Written comments will be accepted on or before February 16, 2018.

Ms. Simon respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of initial adoption.

Roger Folsom MADE a MOTION to approve for initial adoption the revised Rules and Regulations for Hospices. Allana Cummings SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 7, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED.

(A copy of the revised Rules and Regulations for Hospices is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #6).

Melanie Simon, Division Chief, Healthcare Facility Regulation (HFR) presented to the Board for initial adoption the proposed revised Rules and Regulations for Disaster Preparedness Plans, Chapter 111-8-16. The revised rules are being proposed pursuant to the authority granted the Department of Community Health in O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21 and O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21.1.

Board members were provided a copy of the synopsis of proposed rule changes and revised rules. During the oral presentation, the following items were discussed:

- Revision of the rule to create exemptions for facilities that are subject to the new federal rules for emergency preparedness; and
- Requirements to ensure that non-exempt facilities utilize some of the resources developed by the Department of Public Health to assist in disaster planning.

An opportunity for public comment will be held on February 13, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Written comments will be accepted on or before February 16, 2018.

Ms. Simon respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of initial adoption.

Russell Crutchfield MADE a MOTION to approve for initial adoption the revised Rules and Regulations for Disaster Preparedness Plans. Kenneth Davis SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 7, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED. (A copy of the revised Rules and Regulations for Disaster Preparedness Plans is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #7).

Melanie Simon, Division Chief, Healthcare Facility Regulation (HFR) presented to the Board the public notice revision for the proposed revised Rules and Regulations for Narcotic Treatment Programs, Chapter 111-8-53. The revised rules are being proposed pursuant to the authority granted the Department of Community Health in O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21 and O.C.G.A. § 31-6-21.1.

The Board will vote on the final adoption for the proposed changes at the Board meeting to be held at 10:30 a.m. on **February 8, 2018** at the Georgia Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303 in the 5th Floor Board Room). The previously approved public notice reflected **December 14, 2018**.

The Board APPROVED the public notice revision for the proposed revised Rules and Regulations for Narcotic Treatment Programs. (A copy of the revised public notice for

the Rules and Regulations for Narcotic Treatment Programs is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #8).

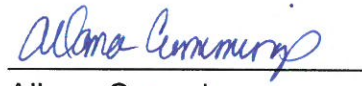
New Business/Closing Comments


None to report.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Chairman Norman Boyd adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 11th DAY OF January, 2018.


Allana Cummings
Secretary


Norman Boyd
Chairman

Official Attachments:

- #1 Agenda
- #2 List of Attendees
- #3 Medicaid State Plan Amendment: School Department of Education (DOE) Direct Nursing Services Proposed Agreement Public Notice
- #4 Licensure of Clinical Laboratories Rule Change
- #5 Nursing Homes Rule Change
- #6 Hospices Rule Change
- #7 Disaster Preparedness Plans Rule Change
- #8 Narcotic Treatment Program Rule Change, Public Notice Revision