Health Care Cost Transparency Board's

Advisory Committee on Primary Care Meeting Summary

September 28, 2023

Hybrid meeting held electronically (Zoom) and in-person at the Health Care Authority (HCA)
2–4 p.m.

> **Note: this meeting was recorded in its entirety. The recording and all materials provided to and considered by the committee are available on the Advisory Committee on Primary Care webpage.**

Members present

Dr. Judy Zerzan-Thul, Chair
Kristal Albrecht
Sharon Brown
Michele Causley
Tracy Corgiat
David DiGiuseppe
D.C. Dugdale
Sharon Eloranta
Chandra Hicks
Meg Jones
Lan Nguyen
Mandy Stahre
Jonathan Staloff
Sarah Stokes
Shawn West
Staici West
Ginny Weir
Maddy Wiley

Members absent

Tony Butruille
Gregory Marchand
Sheryl Morelli
Katina Rue
Linda Van Hoff

Call to order

Dr. Judy Zerzan-Thul, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Agenda items

Wecoming remarks
Chair Dr. Judy Zerzan-Thul welcomed committee members to the meeting.

Meeting summary review from the previous meeting
The committee members voted by consensus to adopt the August 2023 meeting summary.

Public comment
Jean Marie Dreyer, committee facilitator, called for comments from the public.

There were no public comments.

Making Care Primary Overview
Kahlie Dufresne, Special Assistant for Health Policy and Programs, Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA)
Kahlie's presentation focused on an overview of the Center for Medicaid and Medicare's (CMS's) new Making Care Primary (MCP) initiative. Kahlie briefed the committee on the initiative's goals, care teams, and flexible payment structure. HCA is interested in aligning with the Medicare model principles but does not yet have funding or legislative direction to require participation from its Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB), School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB), or Medicaid populations. Kahlie reviewed organizations eligible to apply to MCP as well as the three primary participation track options. There are six payment types to support MCP participants, including: prospective primary care payment (PPCP), enhanced services payment (ESP), performance incentive payment (PIP), upfront infrastructure payment (UIP), MCP e-consult (MEC), and ambulatory co-management (ACM). MCP has 11 performance measures which were all selected to be actionable, clinically meaningful, and aligned with other CMS quality programs. Kahlie's presentation concluded with a review of the initiative's high-level timeline, noting a handful of significant program milestones.

Committee members' questions and comments in response to Kahlie's presenation can be found in the audio recording for the September 28, 2023 meeting **here**.

Presentation and Discussion of Primary Care Data Collection and Reporting
Shane Mofford, Consultant, Center for Evidence-based Policy
Shane reviewed the committee's primary charges from the Legislature including defining and measuring primary care, data reporting and collection of primary care expenditures, and policies to increase and sustain investments in primary care. Shane reviewed the committee's completed and in progress definitional asks and policy development charges.

Shane reviewed the current data collection processes used by HCA, including the all-payer data claims database (APCD) and HCA's aggregate data call. The existing data call process can be modified to incorporate the Board-approved primary care definition and solve for missing elements from the APCD, however, there are several challenges inherent in the data call. To solve for missing elements from the APCD and account for non-claims-based payments, HCA proposed a hybrid data collection and reporting solution where the APCD is used to collect claims-based payment information and the data call is used to collect and report on non-claims-based payments. By a majority of committee votes, the committee passed a motion to adopt HCA's hybrid data collection and reporting solution.

Shane's presentation concluded with a reminder about the MCP provider application due date. Applications are being accepted from September 4 through November 30, 2023. This is the only time for providers to enroll in MCP. The application can be found **here**.

Committee members' questions and comments in response to Shane's presentation can be found in the audio recording for the September 28, 2023 meeting **here**.

Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Next meeting

October 26, 2023
Meeting to be held on Zoom and in-person at HCA
2–4 p.m.