

**Personal Assistance Oversight Committee Minutes**

**September 12, 2012**

**1:00PM – 3:00PM (MT) 12:00 – 2:00PM (PT)**

**Video Conference - See locations below\***

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>LEAD</b>	<b>DECISIONS/ACTION ITEMS</b>
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>		
<i>Welcome - Introductions Read and approve minutes from June 13, 2012</i>	<i>Natalie Peterson</i>	<i>Dana motioned and Ruth seconded that minutes from the June 13, 2012 PAO Meeting be approved as written. Approved minutes will be posted at MCAC/POA website.</i>
<b>PLANNING</b>		
<i>PAO Committee Composition</i>	<i>Natalie Peterson</i>	<i>Current Vacancies: (1)Personal Assistant – Statewide, (1) Participant Eastern Hub,(1) Participant Northern HUB We also have 3 positions that will be expiring on December 31, 2012. Central HUB 2 – Deana Gilchrist – Agency Eastern HUB 2 Bart Larson – Agency – RALF Advocate 2 – Mary Jo Butler Per the PAO bylaws, members can nominate or request to serve additional terms and/or nominations can be submitted for these positions – A nomination form is attached to these minutes. Please submit nominations prior to the December 12, 2012 meeting. We would like vote on filling these positions at the December 12, 2012 meeting.</i>
<i>Summary of Waiver Changes</i>	<i>Susie Choules</i>	<i>The Aged and Disabled (A&amp;D) Waiver Renewal was submitted to CMS on July 3, 2012. We have worked to answer 56 questions from CMS regarding the Waiver renewal. The A&amp;D Waiver expires on September 30, 2012 and we anticipate approval of the A&amp;D Waiver prior to the October 1, 2012 implementation date. Following approval the Waiver will be posted on the H &amp; W website at <a href="http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/Medicaid/tabid/123/Default.aspx">http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/Medicaid/tabid/123/Default.aspx</a> For additional information regarding the changes to services due to the Waiver Renewal please see Information Releases MA12-14, MA 12-15, and MA 12-16 at <a href="https://www.idmedicaid.com/Lists/Information%20Releases/AllItems.aspx">https://www.idmedicaid.com/Lists/Information%20Releases/AllItems.aspx</a></i>
<i>Share of Cost and Personal Needs Allowance – Welfare Perspective</i>	<i>Julie Hammon Bureau Chief Operations  Shannon Epperley Program Manager</i>	<i>Julie and Shannon discussed two rules that the Division of Welfare will be taking forward during the upcoming 2013 Legislative session:  <b>Docket 16-0305-1201- Eligibility for Aid to the Aged, Blind, &amp; Disabled (AABD)</b> In response to a petition for rulemaking from the Trust and Estate Professionals of Idaho (TEPI), the Department is amending these rules to align the asset transfer penalties for Medicaid applicants under the home and community based services (HCBS) with those applicants who reside in a nursing facility. By allowing HCBS applicants to have an asset transfer penalty period implemented, will remove the disparity between the Nursing Home and Home Community Based Services (HCBS) participants.  <b>Docket 16-0305-1202- Eligibility for Aid to the Aged, Blind, &amp; Disabled (AABD)</b> These rules are being amended to provide a more equitable division of future cost of living</i>

		allowance (COLA) increases between the participants's personal needs allowance (PNA) and the rent, utilities, and food (RUF). This will be done by increasing both the PNA and the RUF by the percentage of the COLA increase. These rules will publish in the October 3, 2012 Administrative Bulletin. <a href="#">October Bulletin</a>
NSA Changes	Melanie Belnap	Topic proposed by Jason McKinley 1) Can we get the boxes on the NSA to expand? This was mentioned as part of the UAI Sub-Committee Workgroup recommendations; IT is working to expand the number of characters allowed. Due to recent changes in DHW software we are not able to send the NSA electronically; they are now scanned and sent with other documents. IT is aware of both of these issues and is working on them pending other priorities.
Hospital Discharges and Significant Changes	Melanie Belnap	Topic proposed by Tracy Thompson 1) Can we get better coordination to ensure that participants have needed services available to them when they return home. This is another topic addressed by the UAI Sub-Committee Workgroup. It is the combined responsibility of the Participant, the Personal Assistance Agency, and Medicaid to communicate the Participant's change in LOC and needs - Medicaid has a Significant Change process in place that when followed (communication) provides for those services.
Codes for Diabetic Foot Care	Melanie Belnap/Sue Harvey	Topic proposed by Jason McKinley 1) RN visit for nail clipping. LPN's have the skill set to do nail care. RN is not really necessary – Senior Centers have special dates for health services or the participant may also be sent to a podiatrist. Look at the needs of the participant and services available and deal with on a case by case basis if needed.
Northwest ADA Center – Idaho	Dana Gover	Dana will send out information on Northwest ADA Center and give an update at the 12-12-12 PAO meeting.
<b>MONITORING</b>		
MFP/ Idaho Home Choice Quarterly update	Sarah Spaulding	Natalie provided update as of the end of August, 2012. Marcie will attach Idaho Home Choice Transition Updates October 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012 to the Draft Minutes. For additional information go to <a href="http://www.idahohomechoice.dhw.idaho.gov">www.idahohomechoice.dhw.idaho.gov</a>
MIG Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ABL Website</li> <li>• MFP/ADRC Partnership</li> <li>• Medicaid for Workers with Disabilities update</li> </ul>	Monique Johns, MIG Project Director	Monique gave an update on the MIG Grant and shared the Disability Rights Idaho - General Election Day – Tuesday, November 6 2012 <a href="#">Your Vote is Your Voice</a> pamphlet. For additional information on topics presented by Monique go to <a href="http://www.silc.idaho.gov">www.silc.idaho.gov</a>
Managed Care Update	Natalie Peterson	The RFP for Behavioral Health was released last week and will be out for 90 days. For additional information regarding the Medicaid Behavioral Health Managed Care Initiative <a href="http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/Medicaid/MedicaidBehavioralHealthManagedCare">healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/Medicaid/MedicaidBehavioralHealthManagedCare</a> Idaho Medicaid's Proposal to Integrate Care for Dual Eligibles was submitted to CMS on May 31, 2012. We have received and responded to questions and concerns from different Stakeholder groups. We will be holding a Stakeholder – Update Webinar on Wednesday, October 10, 2012 1-2:30 pm (MDT) 12:00 – 1:30 PM (PDT) For additional information and to follow the progress of

		<i>this Initiative – please go to <a href="http://www.MedicaidLTCManagedCare.dhw.idaho.gov">www.MedicaidLTCManagedCare.dhw.idaho.gov</a></i>
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b>		
<i>UAI Workgroup Update</i>	<i>Melanie Belnap</i>	<i>Melanie presented Idaho Medicaid’s response to the UAI Sub-Committee Workgroup Recommendation to the Personal Assistance Oversight Committee.</i>
<b>ADJOURN</b>		
<i>Next Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 12, 2012</i>		

**2012 Meeting Dates: March 14, 2012, June 13, 2012 September 12, 2012 and December 12, 2012. All meetings will be held on Wednesday and meeting times will be from 1-3 PM (Mountain Time). These meetings will be scheduled as video conferences in local offices 1- CDA, 2 -Lewiston, 5 - Twin Falls, 6- Pocatello and 7 - Idaho Falls.**

- \* Region I – Coeur d’Alene 2195 Ironwood Court, Moody Center -Main Conference Room**
- Region II – Lewiston 1118 “F” Street 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room**
- Region V – Twin Falls 601 Poleline Rd. Conference Room B**
- Region VI –Pocatello 1070 Hiline Rd. Conference Room 230**
- Region VII – Idaho Falls 150 Shoup Ave Ste 17 Conference Room 240**