

Medical Services Review Board

Meeting minutes

Jan. 21, 2016

Members present:

Jeffrey Bonsell, D.C., chairman
Matthew Abdel, M.D. (by phone)
Beth Baker, M.D.
Russell Gelfman, M.D.
Ernest Lampe, M.D.
Matthew Monsein, M.D.
Reed Pollack
Dan Wolfe, P.T., G.D.M.T.

Member alternates present

Laura Breeher, M.D.
Natalie Haefner
Kimberly Olson, R.N. (by phone)

Visitors present

Ceil Jung, SFM
Susan Giguere, WAPS

Members absent

Michael Goertz, M.D., vice chairman
Brennan McAlpin
Kathi Hendrickson, R.N.
Jody Ruppert, OTR/L
Jonathan Arnold, D.C.
Robert Pandiscio, R.N.
Robin Peterson, P.T.
Margaret Spartz, M.D.
Hans Thurmer, D.C.
Lisa Hanselman, OTR/L

Staff members present

Kate Berger
Jon Brothen
Anita Hess
Chris Leifeld
Jessica Stimac

Call to order

The meeting of the Medical Services Review Board (MSRB) was called to order at 4:10 p.m. by Jeffrey Bonsell. Introductions were made. A quorum was met.

Approval of the minutes

A motion to approve the Oct. 8, 2015, minutes was made by Beth Baker and seconded by Dan Wolfe. The board voted in favor. The motion carried.

Approval of agenda

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

A motion to approve the Jan. 21, 2016, agenda was made by Natalie Haefner and seconded by Beth Baker. The board voted in favor. The motion carried.

Announcements and update

The legislative update included information about three articles that passed at the advisory council as stated in his handout dated Jan. 15, 2016. Two more pieces that will be considered at the February 2016 meeting that could be added to the bill concern intervention and a requirement of intervenors to attend. The Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) will address some of these concerns. Also, stakeholder drafting legislation about the outpatient ambulatory reimbursement system. DLI is looking at the process of reimbursement.

Assistant Commissioner Chris Leifeld

Lisa Wichterman is out today, but Jon Brothen will be standing in for her.

Chris Leifeld welcomed Ernest Lampe as DLI's new medical consultant.

Business

Elections of officers – Beth Baker nominated Jeffrey Bonsell for chairman. The board voted all in favor.

Matthew Monsein nominated Mike Goertz for vice chairman. It was noted he was not present, but all voted in favor.

Opioids prescribing work group

Dr. Ernest Lampe

Applications for workers' compensation only apply to Medicaid and we are not required to follow anything else. Workers' compensation patients should be treated the same way as anyone else in the emergency room (ER). It is a sample contract, a standard approach to patients. It is a much different process all of a sudden. The Sept. 1 report finalized protocol in two years. In discussions, they are not certain if it is a matter of rulemaking or a statute. He thinks people want a law.

Most injuries are to 20- and 30-year-olds from some sort of trauma in the workplace. Our incentive is to get them back to work with appropriate medication and physical therapy, not for chronic pain but in the first 45 days.

Proposal is if a patient is in the ER it requires documentation of mental status and addiction propensity. They must be evaluated, but that can overburden the physician. A physician-monitoring program is not far away that will help focus on medication.

The statute reflects exactly what they are doing. The charge is to reduce dependency due to prescribing. Ernest Lampe noted item J, provider and provider group: it isn't just the physician, but the whole group is involved in the process and may have consequences. The group has all been in some way touched in a negative, say by a prescribing issue. DLI is a nonvoting member. They are charged with opioid developing protocols, sentinel measures and educational resources. This only involves Medicaid. It is community-based, not case by case.

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Updated opioid contract

Jessica Stimac

Jessica Stimac reviewed the opioid contract and there was a request to further define it. It was noted that most lethal overdoses are a combination of opioids and alcohol. Matthew Monsein would like to see the board approve new language.

Injection guidelines

Dr. Ernest Lampe

There's nothing in the guidelines about outcomes. What makes treatment successful? What is the maximum treatment frequency? Common in other states: you must have a positive response to continue. Define improvement in function after intervention. Beth Baker suggested looking at Colorado's guidelines for this.

There was discussion about changing the legislative approved rules to clarify frequency of treatment. Chronic parameters for pain versus medical necessity.

Agenda for next meeting

Dr. Jeffrey Bonsell and board

- ESI recommendations and functional assessment
- Opioid contract, add a bullet concerning alcohol use
- Medical marijuana

New Business

- None

Adjournment

Russell Gelfman moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Dan Wolfe. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m.

The next meeting date: April 21, 2016.