

CHIP Coalition – 6/15/12

Anne- chair

Agenda:

- Enroll America
- Legislative agenda updates
 - Maternal
 - Workforce

Note: Suehs is retiring (HHSC). Widespread sadness. Will discuss doing something to honor him.

Enroll America

- www.enrollamerica.org; Ani Fete (AniF@enrollamerica.org) and Martine Apodaca (MartineA@enrollamerica.org) (w/ Jenny Sullivan on phone)
- Raise Public Awareness
 - Market research- GMMB/Lake (E.g. see report [Preparing For 2014](#)). Best message/messenger. Subpops, focus groups.
- Best Practices Institute- policy arm
 - Pubs, Webinars, Blog, State-based technical assistance
- 21 mil to enroll under ACA (8 mil exchange, 13 mil in Medicaid or CHIP). Texas #1!
- Single streamlined application process. [UX 2014](#) project: a model exchange/enrollment process. Sebelius also developing one.
- 7 concrete steps for 2012...
- EA state assistance:
 - Engaging national partners at state level
 - Generate materials
 - Share national public education campaign resources (Martine)
 - Outreach and enrollment assistance and toolbox (Jessica Kendall)
 - Enhance communication and sharing within/between states
 - Coordinate approaches to funders
 - Assist with organizing and providing support to state collaborations for outreach, enrollment, and retention initiatives
- Discussion
 - Coordinating partners
 - EA here to help- be in touch!
 - July agenda will include discussing our way forward, depending on SCOTUS
 - Enrolling eligible but uninsured
 - Jessica Kendall (now w/ EA) was successful in Oregon. Will send her ppt.
 - Jenny (EA)- think about it at systems level, creative ways to reach people.
 - Kit- Simplifying app process will help enrollment.
 - Anne- welcome mat effect is real. Simplified app important.
 - David- getting access to public assistance offices is key.
 - Paul Mata (SA Food Bank)- are engaging with partners, schools, clinics. Agree on app.

- Shannon- What about on-site enrollment with providers? Question tabled due to time.

CHIP Legislative Agenda Principles re: Maternal/Child Health (Morgan, MOD)

- Draft principles emailed out
 - Strike the statement under “Our Coalition Supports” related to healthy quality improvements standards
 - Include a placeholder for Healthy Texas Babies (they will be meeting in late July and we should know of any policy implications after this meeting as they will be developing a 5 year plan)
 - Include: Support development of a Maternal Mortality Review Program and ongoing support for Fetal, Infant and Child Mortality Review Programs
 - Include: Support policies that promote early entry into prenatal care
 - Include: Support policies that promote on-going preventative care for women and children, like chronic disease management and annual screenings
- Focused on items where legislation will be.

Will put out draft that includes the discussion on... scope of practice and... *(I missed something here –Marcus)*

CHIP Legislative Agenda Principles re: Workforce (Helen Kent Davis, TMA)

- Draft principles emailed out (change 4th word in bullet 1 to “Medicare” not “Medicaid”)
 - Texas increase to Medicare parity the Medicaid and CHIP professional and provider payments not raised as a result of the Medicaid payment provisions of federal health system reform.
 - The legislature reverse cuts to all health care provider education and training programs enacted in 2011, and invest in expanded training and residency capacity to put our state on track for improved access to care.
 - The state restore funding for the physician loan repayment program, which was slashed in 2011, to encourage more physicians to practice in medically underserved areas; restore funding for the Texas dental loan repayment program, eliminated in 2011, and renew funding for the Children’s Medicaid loan repayment program, which prior to elimination in 2011 provided loan repayments to primary and specialty care physicians and dentists accepting Medicaid.
 - Texas invest in research to identify and promote innovations in training primary care residents to encourage more medical students to choose primary care.
 - Streamline Medicaid administrative processes to entice more providers to stay in Medicaid, such as adopting a simplified HMO credentialing process and implementing standardized prior authorization mechanisms.
- **MD survey not published yet, please keep internal until then**
- Revise to include increasing residency slots?
- Discussion of CHIP/Medicaid reimbursement equivalencies. Medicaid is benchmark but can differ by plan.
- Miryam- need to look at ACA provisions for para-professional funding
- Shannon will send info on mental health workforce (Medicaid rate cuts, shortages)

July Meeting

- Packed: OTA month, post-ACA decision. May need to move it to 10:30am.
- Next email: reminder that DSHS LAR comments are due