

**Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Rural Health Clinic (RHC),  
Indian Health Services & Tribal 638 Clinics  
Program Meeting Minutes  
April 3, 2014**

**Present:**

Robert Frost, Klamath Tribal Clinic; Linda Hettinga, Yellowhawk; Tressa Mercier, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde; Michelle Manso, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde; Mike Martin, OHSU-Richmond; Rita Fulton, Waterfall; Betse Thielman, Cover Oregon; Ellen Franklin, Lincoln; Trudy Simpson, Coquille; Richanne Jennings, Coquille; Bob Edwards, NW Human Services; Melody McKeel, Clackamas County; Marta Barajas, Columbia River CHC; Janet Tribble, Adapt; Kathi Carlson, Central City Concern; Larry Mingo, Multnomah County; Rita Fulton, Waterfall; Marc Overbeck, Oregon Primary Care Office Oregon Office for Health Policy and Research; Ellen Boggs, Rinehart; Bob Maxwell, OPCA; Justin Valley, Office of Rural Health; Napua Catriz, DMAP; Nelda, CHC of Lane County; Maria Castro, Office of Equity and Inclusion; Linda Fanning, DMAP;

**OHA/DMAP Program Update:**

**Don Ross, Medicaid Policy and Program Section Manager**

We are beginning implementation of bills that passed in the short session. None of these are impacting the FQHCs/RHCs/IHS & Tribal 638 clinics. Durable Medical Equipment repurposing is being implemented.

Kicker and revenue forecast – The last revenue forecast was improved. If the revenue improves enough a refund is given to tax payers. The instant the revenue forecast goes over the threshold, there is actually a revenue hole created. It is a good thing to have an improving economy and we are hoping it continues, but doesn't create any budget concerns.

All DMAP units are keeping busy with tasks: rule amendments; CCO contracting to implement some services that are currently carved out (with the goal to have all included in the global budget); processing of applications due to the health care expansion.

We have almost as many people already signed up for coverage as expected in two years.

There is a workforce shortage in Oregon. Lane and Klamath Counties are having difficulties finding providers. Addressing the workforce issue is a long term fix and the State and plans are working to implement shorter term fixes to insure access to care.

**FQHC/RHC/IHS & Tribal 638 Program Update:**

**Linda Fanning, Policy Analyst**

Wraparound payments: Eric Larson is doing his best to complete the wraparound payment process within 30 days. Once he completes his part, the Accounting Department takes approximately another seven days. At times, if a clinic is in need, he will ask Accounting to prioritize the payment, but normally they put it in the queue and pay it within seven days. DMAP is aiming for a 30 day turn around on the wraparound payments, but at the current time, 37 days may be more realistic.

Change-in-scope timelines: If the information provided to DMAP by the clinics related to the change-in-scope is relatively complete, the rate change will be effective the beginning of the first quarter after the information is submitted (if there are qualifying events for a change-in-scope). For example, if a clinic submitted the change-in-scope paperwork on 3/6/14, their rate change (if they qualify) will be effective 4/1/14 – no matter when DMAP is able to process the request. More information on this process can be found in rule under OAR 410-147-0362:

[http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars\\_400/oar\\_410/410\\_147.html](http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars_400/oar_410/410_147.html)

ICD-10 update: The implementation is postponed for another year. We will have representatives from the ICD-10 implementation team at this meeting as soon as possible to provide us with updated information. Clinics need to stay focused on meeting the mandate. The only thing that has changed is the deadline. When ready, DMAP will announce its revised timeline in Provider Matters and the OHP ICD-10 webpage.

Prioritized List 4/1/14: The updated Prioritized List is available at:

<http://www.oregon.gov/oha/herc/Pages/PrioritizedList.aspx>

<http://www.oregon.gov/oha/herc/PrioritizedList/4-1-2014%20Prioritized%20List%20Interim%20Modification%20Letter.pdf>

Rules update:

Prior Authorizations - A Rules Advisory Committee was held this morning to discuss (OAR 410-130-0200) adding PA to additional codes. These codes appear to be primarily surgical procedure codes. (Proposed codes attached).

Interpreter services – Nathan Roberts, Medical/Surgical Policy Analyst, is looking for a way to pay fee-for-service interpreter services. Although for this group of clinics, interpreter services are not separately reimbursed – however, if you have ideas or input, please let Linda know.

Provider Matters: If you don't already receive this, sign up at:

<http://www.oregon.gov/oha/healthplan/Pages/announcements.aspx>

### **Cover Oregon update**

#### **Betse Thielman**

As of 3/31/14, 170,000 individuals have been enrolled. About 56,000 of those are in Qualified Health Plans. The Customer Service Center has switched from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. There has been an extension for the time period to enroll into Qualified Health Plans until 4/30/14.

As of 1/1/14, hospitals can determine presumptive eligibility. They can determine on the basis of self-attestation, whether they may be eligible. The hospitals need to refer the patients to people who can help with the eligibility. FQHCs may wish to reach out with their OSOWs.

Pregnant applicants should be extradited for eligibility.

Process for recertification: Please assist clients who have received notices to recertify – either through the web portal or paper application.

If applicants are still not showing as eligible, have your OSOW follow up with the Regional Outreach Coordinator. You can email them via secure email with information about these clients. If you need to know who your Regional Outreach Coordinator, please contact Betse Thielman at:

[Elizabeth.s.thielman@state.or.us](mailto:Elizabeth.s.thielman@state.or.us).

For changes to information in the MMIS, please email [oregonhealthplan.changes@state.or.us](mailto:oregonhealthplan.changes@state.or.us) (DOB, misspelled names, etc.).

**Round Table Discussion:**

Marc Overbeck, Director, Oregon Primary Care Office - Oregon Office for Health Policy and Research, OHA said he would contact the Innovator Agents and Plans around the issue related to NHSC and possible repayment issues for individual providers working for clinics whose status may have changed. 149 providers from underserved areas in Oregon applied for awards to help repay provider loans through this program.

Douglas County MH services are being provided by Umpqua Health Alliance. This type of change in ownership may actually cause issues with repayment – the new practitioners lose their loan repayment awards and may need to go to new providers if the CCO does not follow the guidelines under the NHSC.

**Next FQHC/RHC/IHS & Tribal 638 Program Meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2014 from 1:30-3:30**

at room 160 in the HSB at 500 Summer St. NE Salem, Oregon 97301. Call in # will be the same: 1-866-590-5055 Participant code: 756487.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns – 503-945-6490 or [linda.fanning@state.or.us](mailto:linda.fanning@state.or.us)

*Linda Fanning*