

Montana/North Dakota/Wyoming
Carrier Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting Notes
Wyoming Medical Society
122 E 17th ST Cheyenne, WY 82001
&
Noridian Healthcare Solutions
900 42nd ST, Fargo ND 58103
June 20, 2018

Attendees:

Joe Adducci	Family Medicine - ND
Dan Satchell, DC	Chiropractic – MT
Michael Monson, MD	Optometry – MT
Jean Bascum	MT. Medical Association
Tom Aufiero, MD	Thoracic Surgery - MT
Anne Williams	General Surgery – MT/WY
Sheila Busch	WY Medical Association Executive Director
Bill Hickman	Primary Care - WY
Courtney Koebele	ND State Medical Association - Executive Director – General Counsel
Tammy Zachmeier RN, MSN	Utilization Review Administrator - ND Medicaid

Guests:

Dianne Kirkbride	Senator Enzi – WY
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Noridian Staff:

Kimberly Behrens	Provider Outreach and Education
Josephine Hunt-Pfautz	CERT Coordinator, Medical Review
Gary Oakes, MD	Contractor Medical Director
Dick Whitten, MD	Contractor Medical Director

Chair

Charles Haley, MD, MS, FACP (Charles.Haley@Noridian.com)	Contractor Medical Director, Noridian
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Co-Chair

William Noyes, MD	Radiation Oncology-ND CAC
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Meeting Notes transcribed by: Maggie Abraham

This meeting was held by teleconference and in person at the Wyoming Medical Society and Noridian Healthcare Solutions main office in Fargo ND. For corrections, questions, concern contact: Maggie Abraham, Medical Policy Specialist (Maggie.Abraham@noridian.com)

1. Welcome and Introduction of Member and Guests
 - Dr. William Noyes, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. CT (4 p.m. MDT) and all members and guests introduced themselves.
2. Meeting Notes from October 11, 2017 (Enclosure to Agenda) - The notes were accepted as written.
 - CMS is rolling out the new Medicare cards in 7 waves. The third wave includes ND and are being mailed out now. MT and WY are in the sixth wave. This should start within the next 6 weeks.
 - Patients over Paperwork - decrease the documentation burden on physicians
 - Opioid Crisis - There is at least one Medical Director working with CMS to help assist with coming up with ideas to help deal with this crisis within our society.
3. Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) – Dr Charles Haley.
4. Great Plains Quality Innovation Network (QIN)-Richard Bubach, CEO of Quality Health Associates of ND
 - No updates.
5. New Business:
 - Draft LCDs for Discussion – Comment period ends 08/14/2018.
 - We really appreciate comments so any issues found, can be addressed before the policy finalizes.
 - Comments that are accompanied by evidence based literature that support your comments are also greatly appreciated.
 - Encourage all members to share these policies with other physicians in your area and encourage them to send in any comments they have.
 - All Draft LCDs are new for JE/JF AB:
 - [Magnetic-Resonance-Guided Focused Ultrasound Surgery \(MRgFUS\) for Essential Tremor](#)
 - Focused ultrasound technique for treating tremors.
 - This was initially non-covered but there is literature supporting the service in certain well-define patients.
 - Literature does now support Benign Essential Tremors with certain criteria is met such as not eligible for surgery.
 - Not covered for Parkinson Disease.
 - [MolDX: Decision DX-Melanoma](#)
 - Defines the limited indications for limited people.
 - [MolDX: Oncotype DX AR-V7 Nucleus Detect for Men with Metastatic Castrate Resistant Prostate Cancer \(MCRPC\)](#)
 - Defines limited coverage in limited circumstances.
 - [MolDX: Pigmented Lesion Assay \(PLA\)](#)
 - Evidence is insufficient to show any clinical utility so is a Noncoverage policy

- Send Draft LCD Comments to:
 - Mail: Noridian Medicare JF Part B, Attention: Draft LCD Comments, PO Box 6781, Fargo, ND 58108-6781
 - Email: policydraft@noridian.com
 - Again, the deadline for comments is 8/14/18.

- 6. Old Business:
 - A. Finalizing LCDs:
 - [Chest X-Ray Policy](#), – Effective 6/22/2018, [Response to Comments](#)
 - [Electrocardiograms](#), – Effective 3/26/2018, no comments were received
 - [MolDX: Oncotype DX® Genomic Prostate Score for Men with Favorable Intermediate Risk Prostate Cancer](#), – Effective 3/18/2018, [Response to Comments](#)
 - [Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation \(rTMS\) in Adults with Treatment Resistant Major Depressive Disorder](#), Effective 5/14/2018, [Response to Comments](#)
 - [Respiratory Care \(Respiratory Therapy\)](#), Effective 7/9/2018, [Response to Comments](#)

- 7. Comprehensive Error Rate Testing (CERT) Report – Josephine Hunt-Pfautz
Josephine reported the following CERT topics emailed to the CAC Members.
 - Interim National Error Rate: 9.0% and Breakdown by State
 - Top Provider Types Errors and brief overview – these percentages are AB combined not just Part B as indicated in the meeting.
 - Internal Medicine
 - Interventional Pain Management
 - Clinical Laboratory
 - Family Practice
 - Chiropractic
 - Ambulance Service Supplier
 - Physical Therapist in Private Practice
 - Preventative Actions
 - Document orders and intent
 - Legibly sign records
 - Code and bill only level of service/procedure specified in medical records
 - Collaborate with ordering /referring physician to ensure your practice has all the necessary records.
 - Supply attestations or signature logs for illegible signatures
 - Authenticate certifications/recertification, plan of care, ect.
 - Helpful Resources
 - Noridian CERT website
 - Task Force
 - Contact
 - CERT Program Basics
 - Billing and Documentation Help for Identified Errors
 - Getting to the Noridian CERT Site

- Browse by Topic and Browse by Specialty
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8. Noridian Education and Provider Relations: Kimberly Behrens
Kimberly's PowerPoint report addressed the following topics (The PowerPoint slides were e-mailed to the CAC members prior to CAC meeting:
- New Specialty Code – D3
 - Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) and Description of MDPP Service
 - Updated Noridian MSP Page
 - Noridian MUE Lookup Tool
 - Portal Tool for New Medicare Card #
 - Noridian Awarded SMRC Contract
 - Webinar Registration
 - GoToWebinar PDF Handouts
 - Find us on Facebook
9. Medicare Part A/B CMD Report: Charles Haley, M.D.
- A. E/M Service Documentation Provided by Students (MLN article enclosure)
- This is part of the CMS Patient's Over Paperwork initiative. Physicians can co-sign the student's note without redocumenting the student's note. The physician still needs to do the work since documentation from a student is not reimbursable. It is encouraged that the billing physician make a note indicating he/she did the work too. This is for E&M services only. The combination of the physician's and student's note must make it clear the physician performed or personally supervised the student.
10. Other Noridian Meetings:
- A. Next Contractor Advisory Committee Meeting: October 10, 2018, 4:00 p.m. MT, 5:00 p.m. CT,
B. Open Public Meeting Notification: October 04, 2018: 12:00 noon MT, 1:00 pm CT,
C. The next Ask the Contractor Part B Teleconference: July 18, 2018, 2:00 p.m. MT, 3:00 p.m. CT, Conference number: 800-553-5275,
D. The next Ask the Contractor Part A Teleconference: September 19, 2018, 2 p.m. MT, 3:00 p.m. CT.
11. Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.