Long Term Care/Medicaid Reform Subcommittee

Proposed Subcommittee Workplan and 2007 Legislation of Interest

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Presentation Outline

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Proposed Work Plan for Long Term Care / Medicaid Reform Subcommittee
2007

Presented by Michele Chesser
Proposed Presentation Topics

DMAS Updates & Briefings

- Update on recommendations of the Medicaid Revitalization Committee
- Update on final blueprint for integration of acute and LTC
- Update on expansion of PACE (Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) and regional models for the integration of acute and LTC services

DMAS Updates & Briefings (cont’d)

- Update on LTC Partnership programs
- Briefing on Nursing Facility Quality Improvement Program
- DSS and DHP update on final assisted living facility (ALF) regulations
Proposed Presentation Topics

**Briefings on JLARC Studies:**
- “Impact of Assisted Living Regulations”
- “Impact of Aging on State Agencies”

**VDA Initiatives:**
- Update on “No Wrong Door” system
- Departmental actions due to HB 2032 (expanded definition of Long Term Care)
- Respite Care Initiative
Proposed Presentation Topics

- Virginia Geriatric Education Center
  - Improving access to and availability of geriatricians
- Staff Presentation:
  - Summary of states’ health care reform initiatives
  - Update on Massachusetts’ recent changes

2007 LTC/MR Meeting Schedule

- August 16th, 9:30am
- October 17th, 1:00pm
- November 8th, 9:30am
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2007 Legislation of Interest

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Long Term Care

HB 2032 (Hamilton) – Expands Department for the Aging Long Term Care Services
Expands the scope of long term care services for the Department for the Aging to include transportation, educational and housing services, and opportunities for self-care and independent living.

HB 2033 (Hamilton) and SB 1024 (Puller) – Health and Human Resources Secretary is lead on Long Term Care Policy
Provides that the Secretary of Health and Human Resources shall serve as the lead Secretary for the coordination and implementation of the long-term care policy of the Commonwealth, working with other government entities to facilitate interagency service development and implementation, communication, and cooperation.

HB 3207 (Peace) – DSS Limitations on Assisted Living Facility resident removal
Provides that DSS shall not order the removal of a resident from an assisted living facility if:
(i) the facility, the resident, his/her family and physician consent to the resident's continued stay in the facility, and
(ii) the facility is capable of providing the necessary services for the resident.

SB 790 (Stosch) – Modifies Caregiver Grants
Modifies the definition of caregivers eligible to receive a grant under the program to include legal guardians and raises the Virginia adjusted gross income limit under the program from $50,000 to $75,000 for a married caregiver.
Long Term Care

- SB 1117 (Rerras) and HB2372 (Dudley) – Create Senior Alert Program
  - Creates a program for local, regional, or statewide notification of a missing senior adult.

- HB 1965 (O'Bannon) – Small hospice facilities exempted from COPN; provides for small hospice new regulations
  - Exempts hospice facilities with 16 or fewer beds from Certificate of Public Need laws and regulations. Provides that hospice facilities shall be licensed by the Department of Health. Eliminates existing provisions authorizing entities to hold both a hospice license and an assisted living facility license.

Long Term Care

- HB 2037 (Hamilton) – Certain practitioners may administer drugs
  - Authorizes properly trained personnel to assist a doctor of medicine or osteopathic medicine to administer controlled substances, provided the method does not include intravenous, intrathecal, or epidural administration and the prescriber remains responsible for the administration.
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- **HB 2290 (Watts) – Create Nursing Facility Quality Improvement Program**
  - Requires the Director of DMAS to establish a Nursing Facility Quality Improvement Program. This program shall replace the role of nonprofit organizations in using civil monetary penalty funds collected by the Department to improve the health, safety, and welfare of residents in nursing facilities.

- **HB 2962 (Bell) – Establish and define criteria for licensing and inspecting life-sharing communities**
  - Defines a life-sharing community as a residential setting with therapeutic activities for persons with developmental disabilities and establishes criteria for the licensing and inspection of such communities by the Department of Social Services.

Medicaid Reform

- **HB 3188 (Sickles) - DMAS will include a provision for electronic reimbursement for health care services**
  - Requires DMAS to utilize, to the extent practicable, electronic funds transfer technology for reimbursement to contractors and enrolled providers for the provision of health care services under Medicaid and FAMIS.
Budget Actions: Long Term Care

- **Develop “No Wrong Door” for elderly citizens - $504,184 (GF)**
  - Provides funding to continue development of a “No Wrong Door” system in the Commonwealth for the elderly to access various long-term care services without having to navigate multiple agencies.

- **Increase Funding for Caregivers Grant Program - $200,000 (GF)**
  - Funding for the Caregiver program will increase from $500,000 to $700,000 in the second year. This program provides up to $500 each year for caregivers who provide unreimbursed care for a person who is aged, infirm, or disabled.
Budget Actions: Long Term Care

- Increase Maximum Auxiliary Grant Rate to $1,061 - FY06-07 ($394,477) (GF) and FY07-08 $1,389,757 (GF)
  - Provides funding to increase the state share of the maximum monthly auxiliary grant (AG) rate from $1,010 to $1,061 by July 1, 2007.
  - Governor’s introduced budget requested a rate increase to $1,048
  - JCHC budget request would have increased the rate to $1,500

Budget Actions: Medicaid Reform

- Include Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease in the disease management program - $57,250 (GF) and $57,250 (NGF)
  - Expand the state disease management program to include Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD).

- Establish an additional site for a Program for the All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly - $250,000 (GF)
  - Funds an additional site for a Program for the All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). This funding is earmarked to locate a site in Northern Virginia.
Budget Actions: Medicaid Reform

**Increase the personal needs allowance for nursing home residents** - $925,235 (GF) and $925,235 (NGF)

Increases the personal needs allowance for Medicaid residents of nursing homes from $30 to $40 a month.

**Phase In 100 Additional DD Waivers** - $1,312,363 (GF) and $1,312,363 (NGF)

Adds $1.3 million to phase-in 100 additional community-based waiver slots under the Medicaid Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities (DD) support waiver program.

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Budget Actions: Medicaid Reform

**Alzheimer’s/Dementia Assisted Living Waiver** - FY06-07 $100,000 (GF) and $500,000 (NGF) and FY07-08 $100,000 (GF) and $500,000 (NGF)

Funds a maximum of 200 slots for the Alzheimer’s/Dementia Assisted Living Waiver

**High Risk Maternity Care coordination services** - $493,899 (GF) and $493,899 (NGF)

Increase the rates for care coordination services for high-risk pregnant women and infants from $1.35 to $4.05 a day, effective July 1, 2007.
Budget Actions:
Medicaid Reform

**Mental Retardation Home and Community-based Waiver Program for individuals living in the community** - $7,573,274 (GF) and $7,573,274 (NGF)
- Provide 330 new slots in the Mental Retardation Home and Community-based Waiver Program for individuals living in the community.

**15% differential for Northern Virginia’s home- and community-based mental retardation, developmentally disabled and day support waiver** - $5,297,138 (GF) and $5,297,138 (NGF)
- Implement a 15 percent rate differential for Medicaid home- and community-based mental retardation, developmentally disabled and day support waiver services provided in Northern Virginia.

Questions?