Long-Term Care/Medicaid Reform Subcommittee
July 29, 2008 – 10:15 a.m.

Minutes

Members in Attendance
Senator George L. Barker  Delegate Clifford L. Athey, Jr.
Senator Harry B. Blevins  Delegate Robert H. Brink
Senator Patricia S. Ticer  Delegate Franklin P. Hall
  Delegate Phillip A. Hamilton
  Delegate Harvey B. Morgan
Secretary Marilyn B. Tavenner  Delegate David A. Nutter
  Delegate John M. O’Bannon, III

The meeting was called to order by Delegate John M. O’Bannon, III, subcommittee co-chair.

Mr. Stephen Bowman presented the following proposals for the 2008 work plan of the Long-Term Care/Medicaid Reform Subcommittee.

August 12, 2008 Meeting
• Linda L. Nablo will discuss her priorities and initiatives as Commissioner of the Virginia Department for the Aging
• State Children’s Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)
• Medicare’s new policy of not paying for "preventable" conditions, mistakes and infections resulting from a hospital stay
• Feedback from provider organizations on the effect of the State budget’s nursing home facility rate reductions

September 4, 2008 Meeting
• Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) updates:
  o Medicaid eligibility changes regarding life estates and multiple monetary transfer
  o Expansion of Medicaid Works program
  o Development of healthy lifestyle monetary incentives
  o Specialty drug program’s quality and savings improvements
  o Chronic care management programs
  o Regional model of integration of acute and long-term care
  o Virginia’s Long Term Care Partnership
• Status of compliance of the State employees’ LTC insurance plan with LTC Partnership requirements
• Disease management practices

November 6, 2008 Meeting
• Discussion of Decision Matrix

Comments:
Delegate Hamilton asked if Commissioner Nablo could address how the AAAs factor in to the LTC system.
Senator Blevins said he is concerned with the issue of the elderly being malnourished.

Delegate Hamilton requested an update on PACE and stated he would like information on the effect of reduced Medicare funding for nursing homes.

Delegate O’Bannon indicated his interest in hearing from private sector providers about disease management programs and encouraging healthy lifestyles.

The 2008 work plan was approved as amended.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting was scheduled for August 12, 2008.

Approved by: Kim Snead, Executive Director
Prepared by: Sylvia A. Reid
Date: August 21, 2008