

Maryland Primary Care Program (MDPCP) Advisory Council

Meeting Takeaways

January 10, 2023 | 5:00pm – 6:30pm

Participants

- Bob Atlas, *Maryland Hospital Association*
- Michael Barr, *MEDIS, LLC*
- Robert Berenson, *The Urban Institute*
- Scott Berkowitz, *Johns Hopkins*
- Kenneth Buczynski, *Wellspring Family Medicine*
- Allan Field, *Retired Health Care Executive/Consultant*
- Howard Haft, *MDPCP Program Management Office*
- Kevin Hayes, *Consultant*
- Debora Kuchka-Craig, *MedStar*
- Peter LoPresti, *University of Maryland Medical System*
- Kathleen Loughran, *Elevance Health*
- Nkem Okeke, *Medicalincs*
- Zachary Rabovsky, *CareFirst*
- Michael Riebman, *Maryland Primary Care Physicians*
- Tricia Roddy, *Medicaid* (Delegate for Steven Schuh)
- David Sharp, *Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC)*
- Ben Steffen, *MHCC*
- James Trumble, *Tidal Health*

Key Discussion Items

- The Maryland Department of Health Medicaid Office (Medicaid) provided an overview of Medicaid alignment with the MDPCP:
 - A draft proposal has been submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) that is yet to be finalized; the proposal is anticipated to be finalized in a few weeks
 - Key components of the proposal include care management fees (CMFs), incentives focused on quality and the total cost of care (TCOC), and a hybrid payment model (capitation and fee for service)
 - The voluntary program is targeted to begin in January 2024
 - CMMI requested Medicaid to draft an additional proposal that includes Federally Qualified Health Centers; the program will likely include CMFs and a quality component
- The MDPCP Program Management Office (PMO) provided a program update:

- A total of 537 practices currently participate in the program; 154 practices are in Track 3
- Planning for a multi-payer data platform is progressing, the PMO is working with Medicaid to design and develop practice reports in CRISP Reporting Services
- The 2021 annual report was submitted to CMMI in December 2022; the report provided recommendations, with several related to Track 3
- 2023 participation agreements and payment methodologies were amended by CMMI; amendments reflect changes to primary care codes among others
- The Council began deliberations on key principles that the MDPCP should include to support the goals of the TCOC Model as the State begins drafting a proposal to extend the Model