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ND Medicaid advisory committee to meet June 9 to hear updates on COVID-19 response and expansion of home and community-based behavioral health services

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee will meet on Tuesday, June 9, from 5 to 8 p.m. CT by video conference to hear updates on the department's COVID-19 response and efforts to expand in-home and community-based behavioral health services through a Medicaid 1915(i) state plan amendment. The meeting is open to the public and Medicaid members are encouraged to attend.

The meeting agenda also includes discussion on Medicaid opioid policies that may impact some members with pain issues, the re-procurement of a managed care organization for Medicaid Expansion and subcommittee reports on member communication and codes and services.

Committee members will hear updates on Medicaid state plan amendments, including targeted case management for high-risk pregnant women, newly released Medicaid claims processing data, the Autism Spectrum Disorder waiver and the waiver renewal for Medicaid Expansion and alternative benefit plan.

The department's tribal project administrator will give a presentation on cultural awareness.

A complete agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/mmac.html.

Individuals can join the meeting by computer or other electronic device using Microsoft Teams at <https://bit.ly/2MptPZk> or by phone at 701-328-0950 conference ID: 988 567 377#.

The Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee provides input on key initiatives, policies and administration of North Dakota Medicaid, which is the state and federally-funded health program that serves qualifying pregnant women, children, people with disabilities and other individuals.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations, including appropriate auxiliary aids to participate, can contact Stacey Koehly at 701-328-4807, toll-free 800-755-2604, 711 (TTY) or skoehly@nd.gov.

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