

## **Meeting Minutes**

2/28/2020

1:30pm-2:30pm

Public Act 101-0461 Working Group  
Development of Medical Necessity

### **Locations**

Department of Insurance Office Springfield  
320 W. Washington St.,  
4th Floor, Springfield, Illinois 62767

Department of Insurance Office Chicago  
122 S Michigan Ave,  
19th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60603

### **Call-in Information**

Number: 1-312-535-8110

Code: 806 530 932

Welcome Members in attendance:

- Roberta Allen
- Patrick Besler
- Heather O'Donnell
- Patrick Phelan
- Facilitators: The Department of Insurance (DOI)

Members Absent:

- The Department of Healthcare and Family Services (DHS)

Guests in Attendance:

- Jay Shattuck
- Aaron Winters
- Dan Hawk
- Tom Allen
- Marc Fagan

#### **I. Discussion Updated Medical Necessity Examples**

- Aaron Winters and Patrick Besler mentioned that they are still waiting on feedback from industry experts on the revisions to the Medical Necessity Standards.
- Dr. Tom Allen from Blue Cross Blue Shield stated that Community Support Team (CST) treatment includes younger individuals while Assertive

Community Treatment (ACT) is for adult individuals. There is some concern with the ages of 18-26, which are young adults that fall into some youth categories. Heather O'Donnell mentioned that an age cut off seemed arbitrary. Marc Fagan mentioned the Thresholds would look at that more closely.

- Due to the limited time for review of revised standards, the Working Group moved on to Next Steps.

## II. Next Steps

- The Department laid out an action plan which requires Industry to make revisions on the revised medical necessity standards established by Thresholds by close of business on March 6, 2020. Thresholds will then have until March 13, 2020 to review industry revisions.
- The Working Group agreed to a supplemental meeting on March 13, 2020 to complete any work and ensure that all parties agree with the work product. The Department will send out a poll to members on availability and post any supplemental meetings to the website.

## III. Next Meeting Date (if necessary)

- March 13, 2020. The time will be posted to the Department website after the Working Group submits availability.

## IV. Adjourn

- The Working Group adjourned at 1:45pm.