

Minutes: Health Services Advisory Council

Date: November 8th, 2023, 5:30 - 7:30PM

Link to meeting: <https://minnesota.webex.com/minnesota/j.php?MTID=mf0851f25dbeb40e2f82e2438aae8141d>

Note: All committee members and staff attended remotely

Attendance

Council Members:

- Amy Burt
- Dan Stein
- Scott Hegstad
- Michael Thorn
- Rakesh John
- Bimaje Apka
- Samba Fall
- Tenbit Emiru
- Sagar Dugani
- Saudade Samuelson
- Rick Printon
- Claudia Thomas

DHS Staff:

- Caralyn Schnick
- Diogo Reis
- Laurie Engeldinger
- Matthew Vierzba
- Megan Warfield-Kimball
- Rebecca Engberg

Guests:

- Bonnie Bolash
- Phil Burrell
- Chuck Sawyer
- Scott
- Tracy Radtke
- Becky
- Marcy Chancey

Welcome

- Quorum established.
- Chair welcomed members.
- Member and staff introductions

Housekeeping:

- Voting to approve October Minutes
A voice vote approved the minutes, Tenbit Emiru moved to approve the minutes, Amy Burt seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

Medicaid Background and Authorities

Rebecca Engberg DHS Policy Specialist- Presented on basic organizational structure, Minnesota Health Care Programs, who is served, where funding comes from, as well as authorities and regulations to be followed. Additionally touched on mandatory vs optional coverage benefits that Minnesota chooses to cover, and the statute that created the Health Services Advisory Council.

Laurie Engeldinger DHS Policy Coordinator - Presented on considerations when developing coverage policy. Including process, impact, review, regulatory scan, evidence search, collaboration, validation, compliance, purchasing strategies, and implementation process.

Conclusion + Adjournment

- Next meeting: JACO Robotic Arm
- A voice vote confirmed adjournment at 6:23 PM
- Next live meeting will be Wednesday January 10th from 5:30 – 7:30 PM.