Ex Officio Nonvoting Members:

Representatives: Medicaid Chairperson Chris Brown, Public Health and Human Services Chairperson Sam Mims, Appropriations Chairperson John Read

Senators: Appropriations Chairperson Buck Clarke, Medicaid Chairperson Brice Wiggins, Public Health and Welfare Chairperson Dean Kirby, Medicaid Vice-Chairperson Hob Bryan

Voting Members:

Chris Anderson (Jackson), Dr. Steve Demetropoulos (Pascagoula), Dr. Allen Gersh (Jackson), Dr. Edward Hill (Tupelo), Dr. Jerry Martin (Oxford), Brad Mayo (Oxford), Dr. Shannon Orr (Madison), Dave Estorage (Gulfport), Dr. James Rish (Tupelo), Dr. William Grantham (Clinton), Dr. Vicki Pilkington (Jackson), Dr. Mary Currier

Medicaid attendees:

Dr. David Dzielak, Wil Ervin, Dr. Tami Brooks, Nita Durrell, Patrick Black, Erin Barham, Karson Luther, Teddy Bloodsaw

Call to Order

- Dr. Dzielak called the December 21, 2016 meeting to order and welcomed members to the Medical Care Advisory Committee meeting.

Roll Call

- Wil Ervin called the role of voting and non-voting members of the committee.
- Voting members in attendance were: Dr. Allen Gersh (Jackson), Brad Mayo (Oxford), Dr. Shannon Orr (Madison), Dave Estorage (Gulfport), Dr. James Rish (Tupelo), Dr. William Grantham (Clinton), Dr. Mary Currier
- Non-voting members in attendance were: House of Representatives Medicaid Chairperson Chris Brown, House of Representatives Public Health and Human Services Chairperson Sam Mims, Senate Medicaid Chairperson Brice Wiggins
- With seven voting members of the committee in attendance, it was determined that a quorum was present.

Oath of Office

- Karson Luther administered the Oath of Office to the voting members of the committee.

Approval of Expenses for December 21, 2016 Meeting

- Dr. Mary Currier made a motion to allow for reimbursement of expenses for voting members of the committee for the December 21, 2016 meeting. Dr. James Rish second the motion, and a subsequent vote was a unanimous “Yay.”
New Business

- Committee members received a copy of the state and federal statutes pertaining to the Medical Care Advisory Committee, and a high-level overview was provided by Wil Ervin.
- Wil Ervin pointed out the committee must include board certified physicians or other representatives of the health professions whom are familiar with the needs of low income population groups and with the resources available and required for their care.
- Wil Ervin pointed out that consumer group representatives and Medicaid beneficiaries were not present during this meeting and encouraged committee members to consider ways to identify these stakeholder groups for participation.
- Wil Ervin stated the committee must be given the opportunity to participate in policy development and program administration in accordance with 42 CFR § 431.12 (e).
- Wil Ervin stated that Miss. Code Ann. § 43-13-107(3) establishes the Medical Care Advisory Committee and outlines the members who are required to participate.
- Wil Ervin stated that Medicaid is responsible for providing staff assistance and financial support to the committee in accordance with its statutory responsibility.
- The committee will be responsible for electing a chairperson. Wil Ervin encouraged committee members to consider who they will nominate for chairperson and the procedures by which he or she will be selected. The committee was also advised to consider electing a chairperson at the next meeting.

Proposed 2017 First Quarter Meeting Date

- Friday, March 10, 2017 was proposed as the date for the next Medical Care Advisory Committee, however it was suggested that board members would be able to weigh in on this decision prior to finalization.

Final Comments

- Dave Estorage mentioned the release of two State Plan Amendments prior to the meeting and requested historical information on how the committee interacted with the Medicaid Agency in the past.
- Phyllis Williams was recognized by the committee to provide a brief history of the Medical Care Advisory Committee including how the committee interacted historically with the Medicaid agency.
- Dave Estorage asked the Division of Medicaid to consider sharing legislative plans with the committee.
- Chairman Wiggins encouraged the committee to establish standing meetings for consistency and scheduling purposes.

Adjournment

- A motion was made to adjourn, the motion was seconded and a subsequent vote was a unanimous "Yay".