

## MS Medicaid Beneficiary Advisory Council (BAC)

May 16, 2025 · 10:00 AM

Walter Sillers Building – Cobb Conference Center

550 High Street, Jackson, MS 39201

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### I. Welcome

- Division of Medicaid (DOM) meeting moderator, Shelby Berryman, welcomed the council members and guests. She reminded guests and council members to sign in and that meetings are open to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. She also stated that meeting information including approved meeting minutes would be made available on the Division's website.

### II. Call to Order

- Ms. Berryman called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.

### III. Roll Call

- **Members in attendance:** Lori Chapman (virtual), Clarissa Collums (virtual), Dona Krystosek (virtual), Joy Hogge (in-person)
- **Members not in attendance:** Michell Worman

### IV. New Business:

- Motion: *Adoption of Bylaws – Joy Hogge, moved to accept but was later rescinded after some group discussion*
- Motion: *Dona Krystosek moved to defer the adoption of bylaws to the next meeting*
  - Second – *Clarissa Collums*
- Medicaid Programmatic Updates
  - Tracy Buchannan, DOM Health Services Deputy Administrator, shared the recent name change to the Disabled Child Living at Home category of eligibility to the Katie Beckett Children category of eligibility. She said the purpose of the name change was to remove possible confusion and to more effectively describe the category of eligibility. She further stated that there were no other program changes to eligibility criteria other than the name change.
- Legislative Updates
  - Daneel Konnar, DOM Legislative Services, reviewed the following bills from the 2025 legislative session and status or the impact of the bills.
    - HB 662 (Presumptive Eligibility of Pregnant Women)
    - SB 2396 (Medicaid Estate Recovery)
    - SB 2867 (Medicaid Technical Bill)
- Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) Update
- Ms. Buchanan offered an update regarding planning for the upcoming MAC. She stated that the Division was working to finalize MAC appointments to align with both federal and state requirements and is working towards the first meeting to be this summer, possibly as early as July.
- Eligibility Letter Review Follow up

- Ms. Berryman thanked the council for their review and input of the eligibility determination letters from the Office of Eligibility.
- Ms. Berryman solicited the council for other items of discussion and new business or interests they would like from DOM.
  - Dona Krystosek requested the next meeting date be moved to July 25, 2025. All council members and DOM agreed this would be an acceptable date.
  - Joy Hogge requested that DOM review the process of how beneficiaries or other stakeholders could voice concerns and or make suggest to the Division.

**V. Next Meeting – The next meeting is planned for Friday, July 25, 2025, 10:00am.**

**VI. Adjournment**

- Motion: *to adjourn- Dona Krystosek*
  - Second: *Clarissa Collums**Motion to adjourn was approved unanimously*