AGENDA
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor
House Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor
Meeting Jointly

Thursday, July 25, 2013
01:00 PM
Room 171, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

A. Call to Order.
B. Review of the June 27 & 28, 2013 Minutes (EXHIBITS B-1 & B-2)
C. Comments by the Chairs
D. Update on the Office of Medicaid Inspector General (Act 1499 of 2013)
   1. Jay Shue, Medicaid Inspector General
   2. Bart Dickinson, Chief Counsel, Office of Inspector General
   3. Discussion by the Committees
   Medicaid Waiver Needed from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS)
   Arkansas Draft 1115 Waiver is out for Public Comment. Waiver to be submitted to CMS, August 2, 2013.
   Copy of the draft is available at the link below. (EXHIBIT E)
      https://www.medicaid.state.ar.us/general/comment/demowaivers.aspx
   1. John Selig, Director, Department of Human Services
   2. Discussion by the Committees

NOTE: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means only and are accessible on the
     General Assembly’s website at www.arkleg.state.ar.us

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designating areas as "Members and Staff Only"
F. Concern with the 1902(a) (15) Provision of the 1115 Medicaid Waiver (EXHIBIT F)
   1. Sip Mouden, CEO, Community Health Centers of Arkansas, Inc.
   2. Allan Nichols, CEO, Mainline Health Systems
   3. Dr. Susan Ward Jones, CEO, East Arkansas Family Health Centers
   4. Kathy Grisham, CEO/Executive Director, Community Clinic
   5. Tony Calandro, CEO, Healthy Connections
   6. Discussion by the Committees

G. Certifying Qualified Health Plans—Planning for Open Enrollment. The Insurance Commissioner received letters from 5 companies of their intent to offer a Qualified Health Plan (QHP) in the Health Insurance Marketplace. The new website for Arkansas Health Connector is http://www.arhealthconnector.org/. The Commissioner recommends by July 31, 2013 to the federal government, approved QHP and dental plans for inclusion in the Health Insurance Marketplace.
   1. Jay Bradford, Commissioner, Arkansas Insurance Department
   2. Cindy Crone, Deputy Commissioner, Arkansas Health Connector Division, Arkansas Insurance Department (EXHIBIT G)
   3. Discussion by the Committees

H. Implementation of the Medicaid Primary Care Case Management Program (Act 1453 of 2013)
   1. John Selig, Director, Department of Human Services
   2. Discussion by the Committees

I. Implementation of the Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (Act 1265 of 2013)
   1. John Selig, Director, Department of Human Services
   2. Discussion by the Committees

J. Initial Findings on Payment Improvement Episodes (EXHIBIT J)
   1. Dawn Zekis, Director, Health Care Innovation, Department of Human Services
   2. Discussion by the Committees

K. Other Business

L. Adjournment