

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
DIETITIAN ADVISORY GROUP
SUMMARY MINUTES
Date: Thursday, August 23, 2018
Time: 3:30 p.m.
MEETING LOCATIONS

Teleconference to:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
727 Fairview Drive, Small Conference Room
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
4220 South Maryland Parkway, Building D, Suite 810
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

CALL IN NUMBER: 1-415-655-0002 ACCESS CODE: #809 623 141

NOTE: SOME ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY ATTEND IN LAS VEGAS
AGENDA ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF ORDER, COMBINED FOR CONSIDERATION,
AND/OR REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA AT THE CHAIRPERSON'S DISCRETION

Michele Cowee, RDN, LD, CDE, Chair

Laura J. Kruskall, PhD, RDN, CSSD, LD, FACSM, FAND, Director, Dietetic Internship&Nutritional
Center, Coordinator, MS Nutrition Sciences, Kinesiology and Nutrition Services, University of
Nevada, Las Vegas

Pam Wagner, RD, LD, CNSC

Anne R. Lindsay, Ph.D.

Excused: Deborah Klein, RD, LD

Nathan Orme, HCQC

Leticia Metherell, HCQC

Sherri Eggleston

Heather Hatchet, Medicaid

Jenifer Dunaway

Approval of meeting minutes from February 8, 2018 *Michelle Cowee, Chair*

PAM WAGNER MOVED TO APPROVE. SECONDED BY LAURA J. KRUSKALL.
MEETING MINUTES APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

There was no coment from the public.

Bureau Topics - *Jennifer Dunaway, HCQC*

Update on Health Care Quality and Compliance *Jennifer Dunaway, HCQC*

Leticia Metherell said renewal rates are lower, regulations were passed. Newly licensed dietitians may be licensed by endorsement.

In response to Jennifer Dunaway if the Regulations were codefied, Leticia said no.

Updates from Medicaid on items related to dietitians and regulation changes. Sherri Eggleston, Medicaid (sheri.eggleston@dncfp.nv.gov)

Sherri Eggleston reported that they have coverage for registered by licensed dietitians. There are about 30 dietitians. Medicaid has some billing and the codes are still waiting CMS approval. CMS may have 60 to 90 days to approve. There were two codes not recognized in the system.

Michelle Cowee commented that they are experience frustration as the issue of not getting paid has been since April 2018. She was told to resubmit claims which she has done but still has not been paid. She has a colleague that has submitted three and four times and still no claims have been paid. Now because of the difficulty of getting paid, there are dietitians considering not being Medicaid providers.

Sherri Eggleston said the 0885 edit issue is being looked at. Medicaid is reaching out to DFC get it corrected.

Michelle Cowee asked if there is projection when they will be able to process claims.

Heather Attch who is the primary contact for Medicaid for dietitians may be able to help. Her email is h.attch@dncfp.nv.gov and my 775-684-7598

Michelle commented that the annual dietitan meeting in Washington D.C. will be held in October 2018.

Update on any new information related to dietitians. *Michelle Cowee, Chair*

a. Discussion of changes statutes or regulations related to dietitians.

Leticia Metherell asked if a bill to allow dietitians to order diets has been filed.

One of the members said they had discussion with the lead on the policy committee. There were still pros and cons on what they were discussing.

b. Successes deserving recognition.

There was no comment under this item.

Public Comment

Jennifer Dunaway suggested putting something on the website about the billing issue and having a link and information of who to contact.

Heather Hatch said that they will draft up some information that can be distributed.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.