

MEDICAID MINUTE

from the West Virginia Association of Health Plans

Welcome to Medicaid Minute from the West Virginia Association of Health Plans. Every month you can expect our newsletter to provide you with the most up to date information about the work Managed Care Organizations are doing within the Medicaid Program and for our state. We want to serve as a resource for your Medicaid questions.

Health and Hunger Project

UniCare and Think Kids have partnered together to begin taking a closer look at how important the relationship is between our health care system and community hunger outreach programs. **The Health and Hunger Project** was created to begin the dialogue around this issue and to find ways to connect our healthcare and access to healthy food. **The Health and Hunger Summit Series** is a four week virtual event where a panel of experts from around the state will be discussing this issue. The series began on September 22 and will run every Tuesday morning from 10:00-11:30 until October 16th.

Session One - **The State of Health and Hunger in West Virginia** uncovers the current condition of our state. Session Two - **Health and Hunger from the Health Care Provider's Perspective** identifies the challenges provider's face in addressing hunger. Session Three - **Health and Hunger from the Community Resource Provider's Perspective** will focus on the accessibility of community food banks. Session Four - **Bringing Health and Hunger Resources to the Same Table** will promote ideas for positive policy change.

To learn more about this project and the panel of experts involved in the weekly discussions, please visit: thinkkidswv.org/project/healthhunger/

WV Medicaid Highlights*

Total enrollment in WV Medicaid:
534,236 members
MCO Total Enrollment:
414,300 members
SSI Enrollment:
41,569
Expansion Enrollment:
167,343
TANF Enrollment:
205,388
MCO Age Demographics:
42% are 19 years old or younger
32% are 20-39 years old
26% are 40 years old or older

* Data Source: DHHR report 9-1-20

Good News Stories



An Anthem Company

On Sept 16th UniCare sponsored and participated in the United Way of Central WV Day of Caring. The day was spent working on landscaping projects for the women at the new Appalachian Behavioral Health Treatment Facility. Thank you UniCare for this community outreach.



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