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.

Favorable View of Medicaid Among Voters

Modern Medicaid Alliance surveyed 10,000 registered voters nationwide to gather opinions and views about the Medicaid program as a whole. Here are few of their findings worth mentioning:

- 89% - important to have a strong, sustainable Medicaid program in the United States
- 74% - positive view of Medicaid
- 65% - against cutting funding
- Most important priority of Medicaid - 25% said affordability and 19% accessibility

Robert Traynham, Executive VP, Public Affairs & Strategic Initiatives of AHIP (America's Health Insurance Plans) said, "Millions of Americans including children depend on Medicaid and Medicaid managed care to protect their health and deliver high-quality, affordable health care coverage." Nearly 95 million Americans receive healthcare coverage through the Medicaid program, approximately 80 million are enrolled in a comprehensive managed care plan, and in West Virginia, the managed care organizations (MCOs) have over 407,000 members. These numbers provide explanation as to why so many Americans are in favor of the Medicaid program. It is vital to the well-being of so many across our state and nation.

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WV Medicaid Highlights*

Total enrollment in WV Medicaid: 552,386 members
MCO Total Enrollment: 407,742 members
SSI Enrollment: 36,215 (9%)
Expansion Enrollment: 159,365 (39%)
TANF Enrollment: 190,005 (47%)
CHIP Enrollment: 22,157 (5%)

* Data Source: DHHR report 3-1-24

Good News Stories

The Health Plan donated $5,000 to the Clay County Support Center to help families in need.

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