



Agenda

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Thursday, December 12, 2024

Public Meeting	
10:30–11:15 am ET	State and Federal Tools for Ensuring Accountability of Medicaid Managed Care Organizations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allison Reynolds, Principal Analyst• Chris Park, Policy Director and Data Analytics Advisor
11:15–11:45 am	External Quality Review (EQR) Draft Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allison Reynolds, Principal Analyst• Chris Park, Policy Director and Data Analytics Advisor
11:45 am–12:00 pm	Public Comment
12:00–1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00–1:45 pm	Transitions of Care for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN): Policy Considerations and Options <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Linn Jennings, Senior Analyst• Ava Williams, Research Assistant
1:45–2:15 pm	Potential Areas for Comment on CMS Proposed Rule on Medicare Advantage (MA) for CY2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drew Gerber, Analyst• Chris Park, Policy Director and Data Analytics Advisor



2:15–2:30 pm

Public Comment and Break

2:30–3:15 pm

Self-Directed Services in Medicaid Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS)

- Gabby Ballweg, Research Assistant
- Brian O’Gara, Analyst

3:15–4:45 pm

Panel: Self-Direction for HCBS

Moderators:

- Gabby Ballweg, Research Assistant
- Brian O’Gara, Analyst

Panelists:

- Patricia Brennan, Director of the Office of Education on Self-Directed Services, Priority Waiting List, and Special Projects, New Jersey Division of Developmental Disabilities
- Mark Sciegaj, PhD, MPH, Professor of Health Policy and Administration, the Pennsylvania State University
- Pamela Zotynia, Certified Supports Broker and Service Director, Values into Action
- Robert Zotynia, Self-direction Participant

4:45–5:00 pm

Public Comment

5:00 pm

Adjourn



Friday, December 13, 2024

Public Meeting

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| 9:30–10:00 am ET | Timely Access to HCBS: Policy Option on Provisional Plans of Care <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tamara Huson, Senior Analyst and Contracting Officer |
| 10:00–10:45 am | HCBS Spending and Utilization <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Janice Llanos-Velazquez, Principal Data Analyst• Gabby Ballweg, Research Assistant |
| 10:45–11:30 am | Findings from a Technical Expert Panel on Medicaid Payment Policies to Support the HCBS Workforce <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Katherine Rogers, Deputy Director• Emma Liebman, Senior Analyst |
| 11:30–11:45 am | Highlights from the 2024 Edition of MACStats <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asher Wang, Analyst• Chris Park, Policy Director and Data Analytics Advisor |
| 11:45 am–12:00 pm | Public Comment |
| 12:00 pm | Adjourn |