

**State Network Medicaid Small Group Convening  
April 25-26, 2013**

Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor at Camden Yards  
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***Thursday, April 25 – University Ballroom***

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
8:00 am	Registration & Breakfast
9:00	Welcome and Introductions Heather Howard, State Health Reform Assistance Network Deborah Bae, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
9:15	<b>Implementing the Alternative Benefit Plan (ABP)</b> <i>This session will focus on the decisions states are making to take full advantage of the flexibilities offered by the ABP guidance to date. In addition to a level setting on the possibilities, this session will include discussions of specific benefits of concern, early process and policy lessons from states and a discussion of the intersection of ABP and mental health parity.</i>  Carolyn Ingram and Shannon McMahon, Center for Health Care Strategies State Reactor: Lorez Meinhold, Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing
10:45	Break
11:00	<b>FMAP Claiming and MAGI Conversion</b> <i>This session will focus on the FMAP claiming guidance released on March 29 and how that guidance interacts with work states have already been doing on income verification plans focused on implementation of the MAGI conversion. Specific issues of focus will include difficult household composition reconciliation issues and how states should respond to the claiming algorithms in the final rule.</i>  Melinda Dutton and Deborah Bachrach, Manatt Health Solutions Julie Sonier, State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC) State Reactor: Karen Gibson, Minnesota Department of Human Services
12:30 pm	<b>Lunch Keynote</b>  Cindy Mann - CMCS Director & CMS Deputy Administrator



1:45	<p><b>Surviving the Open Enrollment Period (OEP)</b>  <i>This session will focus on the must have's and contingencies necessary for states to effectively manage the mass of consumers hitting the system beginning October 1, 2013. Specific topics will include early MAGI implementation, pending enrollment, treatment of oldly vs. newly eligibles, etc.</i></p> <p>Patti Boozang and Melinda Dutton, Manatt Health Solutions  State Reactor: Gabriela Moroney, Illinois Department of Health Care and Family Services</p>
3:15	Call and Email Break
3:45	<p><b>Transitioning Existing Waiver Populations</b>  <i>The State Network has worked with many states on the policy and operational issues surrounding the transition of certain waiver populations (e.g., existing 1115 populations, pregnant women, family planning, HIV/AIDS, breast and cervical cancer) to the new coverage paradigm. This session will focus on lessons from our work with states and ongoing operational challenges to making those transitions seamless from the beneficiary perspective.</i></p> <p>Deborah Bachrach and Patti Boozang, Manatt Health Solutions  State Reactor: Elena Nicollela, Rhode Island Department of Human Services</p>
5:15	Adjourn
5:30	<b>Reception</b>

**Friday, April 26 – University Ballroom**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
7:30 am	Breakfast Available
8:00	<p><b>Breakfast Roundtables – Facilitated peer-to-peer sharing on the issues of...</b></p> <p><b>Assessment vs. Determination:</b> Discussion leaders – Manatt Health Solutions  <i>Designed for states in FFE/Partnership and those with delegation issues, this discussion will focus on how best to operationalize your chosen model, cooperation agreements required and thorny issues like delegation.</i></p> <p><b>Continuity of Coverage/Care:</b> Discussion leaders – Center for Health Care Strategies  <i>Designed for any interested parties this discussion will focus on options states have been considering to limit the impact of churn including the bridge plan, QHP and MMC contract language, etc.</i></p>

9:00	<p><b>Mitigation Planning: State Strategies for Crossing the Day 1 Finish Line</b>  <i>It is clear that not everything is going to work as planned on October 1, 2013. Awareness of that reality and strategic planning for when information technology or other process flows break down is a necessity and sometimes a CMCS requirement. This session will focus on workarounds when things don't work.</i></p> <p>Patti Boozang and Deborah Bachrach, Manatt Health Solutions  State Reactor: Jill Spector, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</p>
10:30	Check-Out Break
10:50	<p><b>Coverage and Benefit Appeals</b>  <i>This session will focus on the requirements states must have in place to ensure that beneficiaries have sufficient due process in challenging Medicaid eligibility and covered service determinations. The discussion will focus on the operationalization of appeals processes given the vast number of newly eligibles hitting the system and possibly receiving notice of their appeal rights. The discussion may also consider how Medicaid can/should work with Marketplaces to coordinate appeals processes.</i></p> <p>Melinda Dutton and Patti Boozang, Manatt Health Solutions  Reactor: Lisa Sbrana, New York Health Benefit Exchange</p>
12:20	Next Steps and Adjourn
12:30	Box Lunch Available