

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Date: February 02, 2010

Place: Room 116

Convened: 2/2/2010
10:15 AM

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Adjourned: 2/2/2010
11:15 AM

Present: Senators Hatch-CH, Ragan-VC, Johnson-RM, Hartsuch, Schmitz
Representatives Heddens-CH, Thede-VC, Heaton-RM, Miller, L., Rayhons, Schulte,
Shomshor, Wessel-Kroeschell

Absent: None

Excused: Representative Smith

Representative Heddens called the meeting to order at 10:15 am. Roll call was taken and recorded. The minutes of the January 28, 2010 meeting were approved.

Handouts --

- * IowaCare 1115 Extension Update
- * Iowa Medicaid -- SFY 2011 Funding Shortfall
- * DHS - Medical Assistance SFY 2011 Projected Expenditures by Service

Category

- * HHS General Fund Gov's Recs

Jennifer Vermeer, Iowa Medicaid Director, provided an update on the renewal of the IowaCare Program and gave an update on Medicaid. Subcommittee members asked questions regarding payment of physician services, reimbursement rates, budget caps, increase in patient volume, transport costs, program expansion and availability of providers, "dumping of patients" in hospitals other than Univ. of IA and Broadlawn's, EPSDT, budget shortfall, stimulus dollars, children/adult eligibility requirements for Hawk-i and IowaCare, and economic trends. Director Vermeer provided answers and will show the program expansion time frames on the Medicaid Enrollment line graph.

Deborah Helsen, Jess Benson, and Sue Lerdal, LSA staff, provided an overview of the Governor's recommendations for HHS general fund budget items.

Sen. Johnson announced that the subcommittee for SF 2092 is Wednesday at 3 pm in Room 116.

Rep. Heaton made a motion to arise at 11:15 am.

Rep. Lisa K. Heddens

Doris Taylor, Committee Secretary