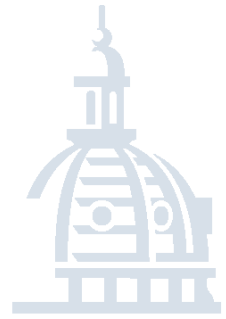




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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting. The Medical Assistance Advisory Council (MAAC) met on Wednesday, August 17, 2016, at the State Capitol.

Agenda. The Council approved the minutes from the previous meeting and reviewed the Executive Committee report. The Council presented a legislative update and agreed to further clarify the roles of the Council chair and co-chair. A brief explanation of the voting process for the upcoming MAAC elections was offered.

Mikki Stier, Iowa Medicaid director, and the legislative liaisons for each Medicaid managed care company provided an update before a report from Kelli Todd, program manager for the State Long-term Care Ombudsman. Concerns from the public included the availability of data regarding prior authorizations, and whether recently paid reimbursement amounts were accurate, according to the provider rates that are currently in effect.

Listening Sessions. [The Iowa Health Link Listening Sessions for public comment](#) will continue through December 7, 2016. The next Listening Session is scheduled for August 23, 2016, in Fort Dodge, at the Fort Dodge Public Library.

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