

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTIONS AND ASSESSMENT COUNCIL

CHARGE: The membership consists of the co-chairpersons and ranking members of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services or the members' designees, the chairpersons and ranking members of the Committees on Human Resources of the Senate and House of Representatives or the members' designees, and the chairpersons and ranking members of the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives or the members' designees.

The council's duties are as follows:

1. Make quarterly cost projections for the Medicaid Program and the expansion population authorized pursuant to 2005 Iowa Acts, HF 841.
2. Review quarterly reports on all initiatives under Code chapter 249J, including those provisions in the design, development, and implementation phases, and make additional recommendations for Medicaid Program and expansion population reform on an annual basis.
3. Review annual audited financial statements relating to the expansion population submitted by the providers included in the expansion population provider network.
4. Review quarterly reports on the success of the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise based upon the contractual performance measures for each Iowa Medicaid Enterprise partner.
5. Assure that the expansion population is managed at all times within funding limitations. In assuring such compliance, the council shall assume that supplemental funding will not be available for coverage of services provided to the expansion population.

MEETINGS: Not statutorily limited

MEMBERS: 6 Senate, 6 House

NOTE: In addition to the duties of the Council specified in the statute, the Legislative Council on July 27, 2005, approved as a referral to the Medical Assistance Projections and Assessment Council the following topic for consideration:

"Elderly Services. A review of options for unifying the state administration of services utilized by elderly Iowans to the Medical Assistance Projections and Assessment Council created in 2005 Iowa Acts, HF 841."

Attachment #1
House File 841, Section 21

Sec. 21. NEW SECTION. 249J.19 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

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22 27 1. A medical assistance projections and assessment council
22 28 is created consisting of the following members:

22 29 a. The co-chairpersons and ranking members of the
22 30 legislative joint appropriations subcommittee on health and
22 31 human services, or a member of the appropriations subcommittee
22 32 designated by the co-chairperson or ranking member.

22 33 b. The chairpersons and ranking members of the human
22 34 resources committees of the senate and the house of
22 35 representatives, or a member of the committee designated by
23 1 the chairperson or ranking member.

23 2 c. The chairpersons and ranking members of the
23 3 appropriations committees of the senate and the house of
23 4 representatives, or a member of the committee designated by
23 5 the chairperson or ranking member.

23 6 2. The council shall meet as often as deemed necessary,
23 7 but shall meet at least quarterly. The council may use
23 8 sources of information deemed appropriate, and the department
23 9 and other agencies of state government shall provide
23 10 information to the council as requested. The legislative
23 11 services agency shall provide staff support to the council.

23 12 3. The council shall select a chairperson, annually, from
23 13 its membership. A majority of the members of the council
23 14 shall constitute a quorum.

23 15 4. The council shall do all of the following:

23 16 a. Make quarterly cost projections for the medical
23 17 assistance program and the expansion population.

23 18 b. Review quarterly reports on all initiatives under this
23 19 chapter, including those provisions in the design,
23 20 development, and implementation phases, and make additional
23 21 recommendations for medical assistance program and expansion
23 22 population reform on an annual basis.

23 23 c. Review annual audited financial statements relating to
23 24 the expansion population submitted by the providers included
23 25 in the expansion population provider network.

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23 27 Medicaid enterprise based upon the contractual performance
23 28 measures for each Iowa Medicaid enterprise partner.

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23 30 times within funding limitations. In assuring such
23 31 compliance, the council shall assume that supplemental funding
23 32 will not be available for coverage of services provided to the
23 33 expansion population.

23 34 5. The department of human services, the department of
23 35 management, and the legislative services agency shall utilize
24 1 a joint process to arrive at an annual consensus projection
24 2 for medical assistance program and expansion population
24 3 expenditures for submission to the council. By December 15 of
24 4 each fiscal year, the council shall agree to a projection of
24 5 expenditures for the fiscal year beginning the following July
24 6 1, based upon the consensus projection submitted.

Attachment #2
PROPOSED RULES

Medical Assistance Projections and Assessment Council

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2. A majority vote of those voting members present is necessary to carry any action; however, no recommendation to the Legislative Council or General Assembly may be adopted without the affirmative votes of at least four members of each chamber.
3. Whenever Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure does not conflict with the rules specifically adopted by the Council, Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the deliberations of the Council.
4. Meetings shall be set by motion before adjournment or by call of the Co-Chairpersons of the Council if meetings are necessary before the date set in the motion.
5. Rules shall be adopted by the affirmative votes of at least four members of each chamber and may only be changed or suspended by a similar vote of the Council.
6. The original voting members of the Council shall serve terms ending upon the convening of the first regular session of the 82nd General Assembly in 2007. Subsequent voting members shall be designated prior to the convening of the first regular session of each General Assembly. Subsequent terms of office shall be for two years beginning upon the convening of the regular session of each General Assembly and expiring upon the convening of the following General Assembly, or when the member's successor is designated, whichever is later. A vacancy exists if a member of the General Assembly serving on the Council ceases to be a member of the General Assembly, or is otherwise unable to complete the member's term. A vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term in the same manner as the original appointment.
7. Members designated to serve a term shall not designate an alternate to serve any portion of the member's term.
8. A regular quarterly Council meeting shall be held at the seat of government on the second Wednesday in the months of July, October, January, and April, unless impracticable.

Submitted:

August 31, 2005

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