

Mental Health Quality Advisory Committee Meeting

April 16, 2009

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Committee Members: P- Present, A- Absent

James Koontz	P	Dr. George Parker	P	Pat Casanova	A
Stephen McCaffrey	P	Jeremy Thain	P	Katherine Wentworth	P
Carol Ott	P				

In attendance representing the FSSA/OMPP:

Marc Shirley, Mike Sharp, Medina Lee, Kristin Johnson, Emily Hancock

Opening Comments

Mike Sharp of the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning opened the meeting. Mr. Sharp stated that Dr. Jeff Wells had left OMPP to pursue other opportunities and to finish up his medical residency, and that Pat Casanova was appointed as Interim Medicaid Director. Mr. Sharp said that Ms. Casanova was unable to attend the April meeting and that she had asked him to chair the meeting in her absence.

Mr. Sharp advised that the pharmacy carve out initiative that is scheduled for a July 1, 2009 implementation is currently on hold until further direction is received from the FSSA Secretary's office.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: A motion to approve the draft memoranda of the January 15, 2009 meeting as written was moved, seconded, and approved.

Prior Authorization (PA) Statistics

A spreadsheet was distributed of the MHQAC prior authorization (PA) statistics. It included the number of approved PA requests, the number of denied PA requests, and the number of unique members that triggered the edits. Representatives from Anthem, MHS, MDwise, and ACS shared their statistics with the Committee members and attendees. The Committee discussed how best to receive this information in the future. It was decided that the Committee would receive reports in the April and October meetings each year. The April reports will reflect information for the time period of the prior July through December, whereas the October reports will have data from the prior January through June time frame.

Utilization Edits

Dr. Carol Ott provided a handout of the *MHQAC Quarterly Review of Utilization Edits* which listed the medications and the proposed utilization edits.

Motion: A motion to approve the edits was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously.

Action: Recommend that the limitations be presented to the DUR Board for approval at the Board's May meeting.

Update on SmartPA Implementation Status

Mr. Sharp stated that John Stancil from ACS and two colleagues would provide information regarding the SmartPA implementation. Technical details are still being worked on, with implementation scheduled for October or November of 2009.

Update on the "2 or More Atypicals" Letter Intervention

Mr. Sharp distributed color-coded geographical maps of Indiana, broken out by region and for the time period of June through August 2009, showing FFS and MCO experience with paid claims for 2 or more atypical antipsychotics. Mr. Sharp said that additional analyses could be produced given time, claims data, and contact with the MCOs. A copy of the 2 or more atypicals letter that was sent out was distributed along with copies of the responses that were received. The Committee briefly discussed the responses.

Smart PA Clinical Edit Proposals

Mr. Sharp introduced John Stancil of ACS. Mr. Stancil in turn introduced two Richmond clinical pharmacist colleagues, Karen Powell and Doug Brink, both of whom who participated by conference call. Due to time constraints, Mr. Sharp asked that Mr. Stancil review just one of the proposals that had been prepared for today's QAC meeting. Mr. Stancil presented *PA Criteria Proposal for the Atypical Antipsychotics Duplicate Therapy*. Handouts were distributed. The remaining proposals will be brought back to the Committee's July meeting. ACS will bring data to that meeting showing what the likely impact will be of implementing the "two or more atypicals" edit. Mr. Stancil suggested that about 70% of the requests handled by the call center

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would be approved, with about 30% being denied. It was agreed that a revised “two or more atypicals” proposal would be presented at the Committee’s July meeting.

Evidence-Based Review: Atypical Antipsychotics Use in Children

Dr. Carol Ott introduced Kelly Williams, Pharm. D. Dr. Williams presented a slide show and handout entitled *Antipsychotic Use in Pediatrics: Literature Evaluation*.

Symposium on 4/25/09 RE: Adolescent/Childrens’ Issues

Dr. John Wernert reviewed the events to take place at the symposium that will be held in Indianapolis on April 25.

E-mail Received at MHQAC E-mail Address

It was noted that no e-mails had been received in the MHQAC’s dedicated e-mail account.

Pilot Programs Status

Dr. Wernert commented that 6 selected pilot programs will be presented to the delivery systems for funding. It was stated that this item will remain on future agendas for presentation of updates by Dr. Wernert.

Old Business

There is nothing to report on at this time for the mental health transformation workgroup.

New Business

None

Agenda items for the next meeting

- Utilization edits
- Update of SmartPA
- Two or more atypicals and other proposals
- Debrief of Symposium – John Wernert
- E-mail received at MHQAC e-mail address
- Update on pilot programs – John Wernert
- Standing agenda items

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 P.M.

The next meeting will be July 16, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. EST in Conference Center Room “A” of the Indiana Government Center South Building.