Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

November 3, 2017

CalOptima Establishes Advisory Committee for Families of Medically Fragile Children

The Board of Directors approved the creation of a family advisory committee to guide CalOptima's implementation of the California Children's Services (CCS) Whole-Child Model. CCS is a statewide program that provides medical care and case management for medically fragile children, such as those with serious birth defects or pediatric cancer. Approximately 13,000 children in Orange County access services through CCS, which is currently carved out of Medi-Cal managed care. However, the state is transitioning CCS children in selected counties into managed care as part of the Whole-Child Model. The transition is designed to improve care coordination for this vulnerable population. Beginning no sooner than January 1, 2019, CalOptima will implement the Whole-Child Model in Orange County, gaining responsibility for providing both CCS and Medi-Cal services to eligible members. CalOptima's CCS family advisory committee will include 10 voting members, with eight seats designated for CCS families (e.g., parents, foster parents and caregivers), and two seats designated for consumer advocates. This will ensure that the interests of CCS children are well represented during this time of transition.

CalOptima Earns Quality Award From the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)

CEO Michael Schrader shared with the Board of Directors that CalOptima was honored with the "Outstanding Performance Award for a Large Scale Medi-Cal Plan" at the DHCS Quality Conference in October. The award is based on 2016 quality measurements using standardized industry methodology. Mr. Schrader lauded the Board and staff for their hard work in helping CalOptima achieve this distinction.

CalOptima Appoints Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Schrader announced the appointment of Greg Hamblin as CalOptima's Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Hamblin has extensive experience in health care financial leadership. Most recently, he was Vice President of Finance for Molina Healthcare Inc. Prior to that, he was CFO for Molina Healthcare of California, where he gained experience with insurance products parallel to CalOptima's lines of business, including Medi-Cal, Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans and Medicare-Medicaid Plans. Mr. Schrader expressed confidence about Mr. Hamblin's ability to contribute to CalOptima's growth and success.

CalOptima to Participate in Family Voices of California's (FVCA) 2018 Annual Health Summit

To further CalOptima's long history of community engagement, the Board of Directors approved CalOptima's participation in FVCA's 2018 Annual Health Summit, which will take place February 26–27, 2018, in Sacramento. FVCA is a statewide collaborative that focuses on ensuring quality health care for children with special needs. The organization has worked closely with the state on the upcoming transition of CCS to the Whole-Child Model. CalOptima's support for the summit, authorized up to \$2,400, will cover the cost of attendance by three families with CCS-eligible children. It will also strengthen the agency's partnership with FVCA and ensure that Orange County CCS member advocates are aware of the changes coming to the program.

ABOUT CALOPTIMA

CalOptima is a county organized health system that administers health insurance programs for low-income children, adults, seniors and people with disabilities in Orange County. Our mission is to provide members with access to quality health care services delivered in a cost-effective and compassionate manner. As one of Orange County's largest health insurers, we provide coverage through four major programs: Medi-Cal, OneCare Connect Cal MediConnect Plan (Medicare-Medicaid Plan), OneCare (HMO SNP) (a Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plan), and the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).

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