

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Thursday, October 7, 2010  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes of the August 5, 2010, meeting

**UNMET HEALTH CARE NEEDS STUDY**

9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the number of Medicaid eligibles, recipients, utilization rates, and average cost per recipient for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010, including projections for fiscal year 2011 compared to budget amounts by major category

9:30 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the committee's study of unmet health care needs

9:45 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of unmet health care needs

**VOUCHER USE AND PROVIDER CHOICE FOR CLIENTS STUDY**

10:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the availability of mental health and substance abuse beds in the state, including mental health and substance abuse beds contracted by the Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

10:20 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft regarding a pilot voucher payment program for mental health and drug addiction services

10:30 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the proposed bill draft and the committee's study of voucher use and provider choice for clients in various human services and other state programs

10:45 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the proposed bill draft and the committee's study of voucher use and provider choice for clients in various human services and other state programs

**OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES**

11:00 a.m. Presentation by the Department of Human Services regarding the state children's health insurance program annual report pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 50-29-02

11:20 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the children's health insurance program

11:30 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Regional Public Health Network Task Force and by the State Health Officer regarding the development of the regional public health network pursuant to 2009 Senate Bill No. 2333

11:40 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the development of the regional public health network

11:50 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the committee's other responsibilities

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

### **SERVICES FOR PREGNANT MINORS STUDY**

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services of a report regarding the status of the alternatives-to-abortion services program pursuant to 2009 Senate Bill No. 2391, including information on services provided and average length of counseling services provided at intake
- 1:20 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the judicial branch regarding judicial bypass option abortions for minors, including:
- Judicial bypass abortions granted by county
  - County of residence of judicial bypass abortions approved
  - Guidelines used by the court to determine whether or not to grant the judicial bypass
  - The number of requests for judicial bypass abortions that have not been granted
- 1:40 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the committee's study of existing services for pregnant minors and whether additional education and social services would enhance the potential for a healthy child and a positive outcome for the minor
- 1:50 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of services for pregnant minors

### **STUDY OF THE EFFECT OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT FUNDING AND ADMINISTRATION ON THE SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS OF TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS**

- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Indian Affairs Commission regarding an update on the efforts to facilitate the development of proposals to improve the delivery of human service programs on reservations
- 2:15 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the committee's study of the effect of federal, state, and county government funding and administration on the social service programs of tribal governments
- 2:30 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of the effect of federal, state, and county government funding and administration on the social service programs of tribal governments

### **IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM STUDY**

- 2:40 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding:
- An update on the independent quality improvement evaluation of the state's immunization program
  - Options for providing immunization services in the state, including use of the universal-select immunization program
- 2:50 p.m. Comments by representatives of Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota regarding the effect of various plans to fund immunizations in the state, including use of the universal-select immunization program, on the state's immunization program
- 3:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft regarding the administration of influenza shots and other immunizations to children by pharmacists
- 3:10 p.m. Comments by representatives of the North Dakota Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics regarding the immunization of children by pharmacists
- 3:20 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the proposed bill draft and the committee's study of the state immunization program
- 3:30 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the proposed bill draft and the committee's study of the state immunization program

- 3:45 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives, including a motion to prepare the committee's final report for presentation to the Legislative Management
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

**Committee Members**

Representatives Robin Weisz (Chairman), Larry Bellew, Tom Conklin, Kari L. Conrad, Jeff Delzer, Mary Ekstrom, Robert Frantsvog, Curt Hofstad, Richard Holman, Gary Kreidt, Vonnie Pietsch, Chet Pollert, Louise Potter, Alon C. Wieland  
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