HEALTHY ALASKA PLAN

AGENDA

• Healthy Alaskans
  – Medicaid Expansion Update

• Healthy Budget
  – What are the costs and where are the savings

• Catalyst for Reform
  – Technical Assistance Contract
  – 1915 (i) and (k) Contract
  – Provider Tax Contract
  – Tribal Health System Partnership
Who is covered by expansion?

• Adults Ages 19 – 64
  – Not otherwise eligible for Medicaid or Medicare

• Earning up to 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
  – Single adults earning up to $20,328 per year
    • $1,694 per month
  – Two-person family earning up to $27,492 per year
    • $2,291 per month
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How many have signed up?

• Estimates for year one = 20,666

• As of October 28th:
  – 3,328 determined eligible for Medicaid Expansion

• Chronic & Acute Medical Assistance and Interim Assistance enrollees transitioned to Medicaid.
  • These two programs were fully funded by general funds
  • ~500 enrolled on September 1
WHERE CAN PEOPLE APPLY?

Apply one of the following ways:

- [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov) – “No Wrong Door”
- ARIES Self Service Portal – Uses your myAlaska Account
- Paper application
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Improving health

• **Access to health care** = Improved health outcomes; increased productivity and independence
  
  – The number of uninsured Alaskans could be reduced by half
  
  – Access to preventative and primary care, behavioral health services, and help in managing costly chronic diseases
  
  – Mortality rate reduction
  
  – Access to care for domestic violence and sexual assault survivors
  
  – Health care access demonstrates positive impact for homeless
    • Including improved capability to gain employment
  
  – Recidivism reduction
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CATALYST FOR REFORM
Continual reform is necessary

Reform is necessary

- State of the Budget Address
  - Identify 25% cuts over the next several years
- Minimize the impact to those we serve
- Efficiencies, Improvements and Innovations are critical to bend the cost curve

DHSS Budget = $2.7B
  - Medicaid = $1.7B

Ensures a sustainable Medicaid program
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Building on reforms underway

- Control overutilization of emergency room services
- Pharmacy reform initiatives
- Fraud and abuse prevention and control efforts
- Coordination with the Alaska tribal health system
- Investigating waiver options
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Additional reforms identified

Reforms identified during budget process:

– Continued partnership with Tribal Health
– Change eligibility for PCA services
– Possible savings in Dental, Durable Medical Equipment
– Increase participants in the Super Utilizer contract
– Utilization control for Behavioral Health services
– Transportation efficiencies
More Reforms under Consideration or in Planning

- 1915 (i) & (k) Options for Home & Community-Based Services
- Provider Tax Feasibility Study
- Medicaid Redesign Technical Assistance Contract
  - Presentation and group discussion with Agnew::Beck later this morning.
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Medicaid Redesign

Home & Community-Based Services (1915 i/k)

Behavioral Health System of Care Development

Building on Reforms Underway

Provider Tax Study

The Healthy Alaska Plan
Goals for Medicaid Redesign

1. Improve enrollee health **outcomes**
2. Optimize **access** to care
3. Drive **increased value** (quality, efficiency, and effectiveness) in the delivery of services
4. Provide **cost containment** in Alaska’s Medicaid budget and general fund spending
How can you stay informed?

- Visit the Healthy Alaska Plan webpage
dhss.alaska.gov/healthyalaska
How can you stay informed?

• Sign-up for Updates
  – Enter your email address
  – Click Save
  – Scroll down to “Medicaid”
  – Select “Medicaid Redesign”

• Request a presentation
  Medicaid.redesign@alaska.gov
Questions?

Thank you!

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