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School Health Access (SHA) Steering Committee

November 19, 2025 – Meeting Summary

Attendees

Nevada Medicaid: Dr. Malinda Southard, Monica Schiffer, Erica McAllister

Committee Members: Lauren Beattie, Chyna Balzer, Nancy Brooks, Cassandra Fox, Ashley Greenwald, Katy Huneycutt, Vickie Ives, Kaci Fleetwood, Fran Maldonado, Monica Romero, Dana Robinson, Jennifer Villanueva

Meeting Summary

SHA Resource Center Update

Nevada Medicaid provided updates on the ongoing development of the School Health Access (SHA) Resource Center at SchoolHealth.nv.gov. Recent updates include monthly SHS Office Hours and the upcoming Multidisciplinary Information Session on "Medical Necessity." Planned improvements include adding provider crosswalks (SPA Provider Crosswalk and ABA Services Crosswalk), refining the Family Resources tab, and building a searchable resource library containing recordings, guides, and FAQs.

Committee members discussed opportunities to strengthen connections with external partners, including the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), Nevada Parents Encouraging Parents (NVPEP). Members recommended spelling out acronyms on the contact page and adding direct links to school district websites.

CMS School Health Services Grant Update

Nevada Medicaid confirmed the Year 2 Quarter 1 Progress Report was submitted to CMS before the October 30 deadline. The next annual narrative and data report is due on January 30, 2026. Completion of the report is expected to be smoother this cycle due to the finalized NVHA–NDE data sharing agreement. Nevada Medicaid continues to meet regularly with CMS Technical Assistance Center to review progress and provide updates.

EHR/School Billing System Procurement Update

Nevada Medicaid shared a status update on the EHR/Billing System Procurement. Although updates remain limited until Board of Examiners approval, the procurement timeline continues to move forward as anticipated. A Letter of Intent was issued in September, with BOE approval expected in December. Pilot implementation for Cohort 1 is anticipated to begin in January 2026. Additional updates will be issued through Nevada ePro. Steering Committee members emphasized the importance of coordinating meetings with school superintendents to support implementation.

2nd Annual SHS Tour

Nevada Medicaid shared feedback from the 2nd Annual SHS Tour. Highlights included continued positive engagement with districts and opportunities to increase collaboration. The group discussed the benefits of strengthening direct communication between LEAs and superintendents to reduce bottlenecks and improve program visibility. The committee discussed reviewing the contact list which the next Annual Survey will be sent to, to help gather the most receptive feedback and participation in the 3rd Annual SHS Tour.

MSM 2800 Policy Updates

Nevada Medicaid provided updates on planned revisions to MSM 2800. Proposed updates include replacing DHCFP references with NVHA, revising TPL requirements to reduce administrative burden for LEAs, potential updates to OPR requirements for nursing services, adjusting age parameters to “children under 21,” and adding a new compliance section covering documentation requirements, billing and coding elements, and compliance review processes.

SHA Steering Committee Moving Forward

Nevada Medicaid invited feedback and discussion on the direction the steering committee members would like to see the committee move towards, including charter makeup, goals and smaller workgroups for specific projects. Members recommended inviting additional stakeholders to upcoming discussions, including urban and rural school district behavioral health providers, and a representative from Nevada Medicaid’s Children’s Behavioral Health Transformation program. The group also discussed the opportunity to integrate statewide data and strengthening alignment with other statewide school health initiatives.

SHS Program Evaluation

The Steering Committee received an update on the School Health Services Program Evaluation for SFY 2025. Members will review the evaluation framework at the next meeting, with attention to metrics, data sources, and opportunities for annual improvement.

The next SHA Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2026 at 8:30AM.