



Agenda

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Thursday, January 29, 2026

Please note: session times may shift slightly if the discussion goes longer or shorter than anticipated.

| Public Meeting | |
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| 10:00–10:45 am ET | State and Federal Tools for Ensuring Accountability of Medicaid Managed Care Organizations: Policy Options <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Holly Saltrelli, Principal Analyst• Chris Park, Policy Director and Data Analytics Advisor |
| 10:45–11:30 am | Appropriate Access to Residential Services for Children and Youth with Behavioral Health Needs: Draft Policy Options <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joanne Jee, Policy Director• Sheila Shaheed, Analyst |
| 11:30 am–12:15 pm | Considerations for Implementing Community Engagement Requirements: Principles and Policy Option <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Melinda Becker Roach, Principal Analyst• Janice Llanos-Velazquez, Principal Data Analyst |
| 12:15–12:30 pm | Public Comment |
| 12:30–1:30 pm | Lunch |
| 1:30–2:15 pm | Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Coverage Transitions: Policy Options <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Linn Jennings, Senior Analyst• Ava Williams, Analyst |
| 2:15–3:00 pm | Medicaid Payment Policies to Support the Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Workforce: Draft Recommendation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Katherine Rogers, Deputy Director• Chris Park, Policy Director and Data Analytics Advisor |

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| 3:00–3:15 pm | Public Comment and Break |
| 3:15–4:00 pm | Behavioral Health in Medicaid and the State Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anu Warriar, Senior Analyst • Janice Llanos-Velazquez, Principal Data Analyst |
| 4:00–4:45 pm | Medicaid for Justice-Involved-Youth Transitions to the Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JoAnn Martinez-Shriver, Principal Analyst |
| 4:45–5:00 pm | Public Comment |
| 5:00 pm | Adjourn |

Friday, January 30, 2026

| Public Meeting | |
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| 9:30–9:45 am ET | Vote on Recommendations for the March Report to Congress |
| 9:45–10:30 am | Automation in Medicaid Prior Authorization: Interview Findings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katherine Rogers, Deputy Director • Patrick Jones, Analyst |
| 10:30–11:15 am | Exploring the Role of the State Medicaid Agency in the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly: Program Agreement and Waiver Findings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian O’Gara, Analyst • Michelle Conway, Senior Analyst |
| 11:15 am–12:00 pm | Federal Policy Framework for Beneficiary Health and Welfare in Self-Directed HCBS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gabby Ballweg, Analyst • Katherine Rogers, Deputy Director |
| 12:00–12:15 pm | Public Comment |
| 12:15 pm | Adjourn |