

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

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



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 Warrier, 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	
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
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