



Developing Accountable Care Organizations in MassHealth: Health Plan Input Session

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1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Omni Parker House, 60 School St., Boston
Kennedy Room

AGENDA

- 1:00 pm **Welcome and Purpose**
Audrey Shelto and Secretary Polanowicz will welcome attendees and discuss the meeting objective: to get input from health plans on key Medicaid ACO program parameters.
- Audrey Shelto, President,
Blue Cross Blue Shield of
Massachusetts Foundation*
- John Polanowicz, Secretary
of the Executive Office of
Health and Human Services*
- 1:10 **Medicaid ACO Overview**
Rob Houston will present an overview of key decision points and strategies to consider when developing ACO programs, based on state experiences to date.
- Rob Houston,
Center for Health
Care Strategies*
- 1:30 **Multi-payer Alignment**
S. Somers will moderate a discussion regarding potential approaches to multi-payer/plan alignment, including:
- Roles of ACOs and health plans
 - Areas where alignment is necessary; and
 - Areas for health plan flexibility.
- Moderator:
Stephen Somers, PhD
CHCS*
- 2:15 **ACO Governance, Structure, and Scope**
Steve Somers will moderate a discussion regarding ACO organizational structure, including:
- Patient attribution approaches;
 - Scope of services provided under ACO arrangements; and
 - ACO governance requirements.
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CHCS*



3:00

Payment, Quality, and Data

S. Somers will moderate an open discussion on approaches to payment and quality measurement methodology:

- Payment methods including risk adjustment and alignment with MSSP and Pioneer;
- Selecting quality metrics and linking to payment;
- Data sharing considerations; and
- ACO program transparency/evaluation.

*Moderator:
Stephen Somers,
CHCS*

3:45

Wrap-up and Adjourn

Speakers will highlight key points of discussion for stakeholder and MassHealth consideration moving ahead.

*Stephen Somers, CHCS
Kate Nordahl, Director,
Massachusetts Medicaid
Policy Institute*