



MHBE Plan Management Stakeholder Committee

July 3, 2025
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

Nicole Edge, Kimberly Edwards, Amelia Marcus, Srija Vutukuru, Jose Cabrera, Tamara Cannida-Gunter, Pooja Singh, Shanette Baker, Susan Mclean, Brian Espindola, Heather Free, Aarathi Narayanan, Amanda Ballard, Allison Mangiaracino, Gwendolyn Howard, Brittany Ryan, Heather Warnkin, Christina Stafford, Molly O'Brien, Shivana Judkins, Nikki Blake, David Brock.

Welcome and introductions:

Nicole Edge, Manager of Plan and Partner Management, welcomed everyone. May 2025 PMSC meeting minutes were accepted with no edits.

Agenda:

Topic	Member Comments
No comments or feedback from the field to begin the meeting.	
Plan Management Updates	The following updates were shared: • Target date for plan extracts is week of July 7th. • User acceptance testing scheduled for week of August 18th. On site testing will be accommodated. • The date for Anonymous Browsing to open remains October 1st for 2025. • Reminder shared that the additional resources are due on August 18th, and the carrier videos are due August 25th. • Plan URLs should be active by September 26, 2025. • Open enrollment dates will not change for this year's OE. Date remains November 1, 2025 – January 15, 2026. • The SEP window for the loss of the primary subscriber in a HH will be updated. It remains 60 days, but the trigger date will be adjusted. • MHBE requests carriers include messaging in renewal notices to alert consumers to the decrease in premium tax credits due

	to ARPA ending. While MHBE is aware of the late notice, it is important to call attention to this for the benefit of consumers.
	Comments/Feedback from participants: Dave Brock inquired if the SEP for a deceased primary will require any technical changes for carriers? Nicole advised that the change is to the shopping window and will not require any technical change for the carriers or the 834. Susan Mclean inquired if there would be a change to the term date for the deceased primary SEP change? Nicole advised that the term date will remain the primary enrollees DOD. Brittany Ryan inquired if examples of messaging from MHBE can be shared via email? Nicole agreed to send this information via email. Amanda Ballard inquired if there is an opportunity to incorporate messaging about the state subsidy in carrier notices, etc.? Nicole advised that while MHBE does not have any specific text to share about the change to state subsidy, carriers do have flexibility to make updates to the current language which references the “young adult subsidy.” For example, this can be changed to the more generic “state subsidy.” Allison Mangiaracino inquired if there is any update to the text that MHBE requires carriers to include in the carrier renewal notice, or if any changes will/can be incorporated to that text? Nicole advised that no changes are planned, but any changes will be shared with carriers immediately. Nicole acknowledged that the timing is not ideal and due to the time constraints, MHBE appreciates assistance from carriers to make updates where possible. Nikki Blake, agreed with Allison about the need for MHBE to communicate notice updates and inquired if MHBE had specific text that was necessary for the young adult subsidy or financial assistance text that is required in the renewal notice. Allison informed Nikki that Kaiser is being proactive by updating notices, invoices, and any other messaging from Kaiser that references the “young adult subsidy” by referring to this financial assistance as a state subsidy. Nicole advised that this is acceptable for carriers to do, and that she will check CareFirst renewal notice to confirm if they reference the state subsidy as a “young adult subsidy.”

EDI/IT Updates	Srija Vutukuru presented the timeline for carrier testing, renewals run, carrier UAT, carrier signoff for 2026 plans, and OE. Comments/Feedback from participants: Amanda Ballard inquired if the carrier testing includes scenarios for the change to state subsidy. Srija responded that scenarios for the state subsidy will be included in testing. Aarathi Narayanan inquired about the end date for Open Enrollment that is included on the timeline. Nicole confirmed that the end date does need to be updated as the slide reflects the end of OE as December 15, 2025, which is incorrect. The end date is January 15, 2026.
Federal Updates	Amelia Marcus presented on the Final CMS Program Integrity Rule. Provisions effective August 15, 2025, include, Rescinding DACA eligibility for Marketplace enrollments, elimination of the low-income SEP, elimination of the 60 day extension of the 90 day period to resolve income discrepancies, requiring income verification for those with income <100% FPL, removal of income self-attestation when no IRS income data is available. Comments/Feedback from participants: Allison Mangiaracino shared that she appreciates this information being shared in this forum and inquired if MHBE will eliminate the 150% FPL SEP. Amelia responded that there will be discussion within MHBE on next steps for the SEP. Nicole advised, that there will be follow up and updates to the current SEP chart included in the Carrier Reference Manual. Nikki Blake echoed Allison's appreciation for receiving the Program Integrity rule updates and inquired if there will be any MOOP changes due to the de minimis changes for AV? Amelia advised that currently based on conversations with the MIA, there are no plans for Maryland to adopt changes to the MOOP for PY 2026.

	Susan Mclean inquired about MHBE's next steps for processing DACA dis-enrollments. Nicole advised that MHBE is discussing next steps and will share with carriers once they are finalized.

Discussion: No additional comments or questions to end the meeting.

Adjournment:

Meeting Adjourned 2:50 pm