

Alabama Medicaid Agency Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) Meeting Minutes



Section 1. Meeting minutes summary

Meeting date	December 16, 2025	Start time	11:00 a.m.
Meeting format	Hybrid	End time	12:11 p.m.
Members present		Members absent	
1. Jennifer Harris 2. Mark Jackson 3. Linda Lee 4. Cori Scott 5. Shannon M. Shelley-Tremblay 6. Jeff Arrington 7. Caroline Carter 8. Katrina Magdon 9. Greg Roberts 10. Mary Finch 11. Kimberlee Harkins 12. Darryle Powell 13. Marsha Raulerson, M.D. 14. Jean Brown 15. Jane Elizabeth Burdeshaw 16. Scott Harris, M.D. 17. Preston Hornsby – for Nancy Buckner 18. Christine Rembert - for Kimberly Boswell		1. Danne Howard 2. Kara Huls, M.D.	
Other meeting attendees			
1. Commissioner Timothy “Bo” A. Offord, Jr. 2. Deputy Commissioner Barry Cambron 3. Deputy Commissioner Ginger Carmack 4. Deputy Commissioner and CFO David McIntosh 5. Deputy Commissioner and CIO Mason Tanaka 6. Deputy Commissioner Judy Thomas 7. Dr. Darlene Traffanstedt 8. Tiffany Brown-Smith 9. Melanie Cleveland 10. Henry Davis 11. Britany Edwards 12. James Hartin 13. Audrianna Hills 14. Dr. Travis Houser 15. Summer Macias 16. Ron Macksoud 17. Leslie Moore 18. Lauren Ray 19. Heather Vega			

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Section 2. MAC recommendations and Alabama Medicaid Agency response

#	MAC Recommendations	Alabama Medicaid Agency Response
1	The hope is for this committee to work as a working group rather than a listening group.	We look forward to the collaboration that will take place with this committee.

Section 3. Meeting minutes details

3.1 Start of the meeting

A quorum was met, and no conflicts of interest were disclosed.

3.2 Welcome from Medicaid Leadership

- Communications Director Melanie Cleveland welcomed the MAC members, provided the agenda, and gave housekeeping notes.
- Commissioner Bo Offord introduced himself, thanked MAC members for being present.

3.3 Introductions

MAC members introduced themselves and gave their preferred membership term.

3.4 Background and MAC Overview

Melanie presented the background and outcomes and reporting information. She also explained the MAC purpose, operations, meeting structure and meeting topics. Melanie explained the roles and responsibilities, MAC member guidelines, and the MAC officer's information on the corresponding slides.

3.5 Alabama Medicaid Updates

Melanie presented the Alabama Medicaid Agency Organizational Chart and Medicaid updates on the corresponding slides. Deputy Commissioner Judy Thomas introduced herself and explained the Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnancy (PEP) information on the corresponding slide. Dr. Traffanstedt introduced herself and discussed recent changes to the hysterectomy coverage rule. Deputy Commissioner Barry Cambron introduced himself and explained information about the EPDST Desk Review and changes to the non-pharmacy prior authorization process, as outlined on the corresponding slide. Dr. Houser introduced himself and explained the information regarding TMaH and Health Services for Justice-Involved Youth on the corresponding slide.

Melanie presented and explained information about where to find materials and preparing for our next meeting on the corresponding slides.

3.6 Member Suggestions

There were no member suggestions.

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3.7 Member Questions

Question: Dr. Raulerson asked if there would be a change in 12-month eligibility for children due to the Big Beautiful Bill.

Medicaid Answer: Expansion states are required to do so under the Big Beautiful Bill, but Alabama is not an expansion state.

Question: Dr. Raulerson asked about retroactive coverage for children.

Medicaid Answer: The change would be the month of application to the prior two months. Barry Cambron will confirm whether the change in retroactive coverage affects all population groups and communicate any significant changes to provider groups.

Question: Dr. Raulerson asked whether a teenager with special needs who is turning 19 can apply for a waiver to continue their coverage until age 21.

Medicaid Answer: Different state agencies evaluate the medical or functional eligibility, and then Medicaid evaluates financial eligibility for individuals. Linda Lee will be contacted to share information about waiver eligibility for teenagers rolling off Medicaid with pediatricians across the state.

3.8 Action Items

- Members should complete the survey and Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form.
- Members should contact Melanie if they are interested in being a MAC officer.

3.8 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Submitted by

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Recording Secretary

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