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👉 Details: Department of Health and Family Services Update and Long Term Care. Hearing held in Madison, Wisconsin on October 17, 2006.

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**Stegall, Jennifer**

Subject: FW: Testifying before the Wisconsin Senate Select Committee on Health Care Reform

From: Stegall, Jennifer
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2006 3:04 PM
To: 'maryann@insightltci.com'
Subject: RE: Testifying before the Wisconsin Senate Select Committee on Health Care Reform

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Thank you

From: maryann@insightltci.com [mailto:maryann@insightltci.com]
Sent: Monday, October 02, 2006 3:32 PM
To: Stegall, Jennifer
Subject: RE: Testifying before the Wisconsin Senate Select Committee on Health Care Reform

Ok. Thanks. My number is 317-508-5831. Mary Ann

"Stegall, Jennifer" <Jennifer.Stegall@legis.wisconsin.gov> wrote:

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If you want to talk to me any time before Oct. 17th, I can be reached at 608-266-5300.

Thank you!
Jennifer

10/10/2006

From: Mary Ann Hack [mailto:indymam@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, October 02, 2006 3:06 PM
To: Stegall, Jennifer
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Sincerely,

Jennifer Stegall

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Jennifer:

11 your time (noon my time) is fine for me. Should I call in at 10 your time, or wait for you to call me? (317) 508-5831 is the number I can be reached at. I suggest introducing me as a representative for Indiana's LTC Partnership Insurance Program. (I am the former director of the Program--held that position for 9 years. I started my own business in Feb. 2005 called Insight LTCi Services, in which I teach continuing education classes, do brokerage work, sell, and consult in LTC insurance. Part of my consulting includes working under contract for the IN Dept. of Insurance doing policy reviews and assisting with the Indiana LTC Partnership Insurance Program.)

I'll send a written testimony to you prior to the hearing.

Mary Ann

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Subject: FW: Hearing Request
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Peter
CMS

From: Stegall, Jennifer
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2006 3:18 PM
To: 'Leonis, Peter (CMS/MC)'
Subject: RE: Hearing Request

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From: Leonis, Peter (CMS/MC) [mailto:Peter.Leonis@cms.hhs.gov]
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2006 4:45 PM
To: Stegall, Jennifer
Subject: Hearing Request

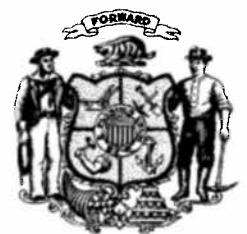
Hi Jennifer, per our conversation earlier this week we will be able to provide testimony at your hearing on October 17 regarding the Long Term Care Partnership Program. I will plan on reaching back out to you late next week with an outline of our testimony. In the mean time if you have any questions feel free to contact me.

Peter Leonis
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison
233 N. Michigan Ave Chicago IL 60601
312 353 3817

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Stegall, Jennifer

Subject: FW: Phone numbers for conference call at Oct 17th hearing

From: Lhatsang, Sherab
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2006 3:06 PM
To: Stegall, Jennifer
Subject: RE: Phone numbers for conference call at Oct 17th hearing

Sounds good.

From: Stegall, Jennifer
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2006 3:01 PM
To: Lhatsang, Sherab
Subject: Phone numbers for conference call at Oct 17th hearing

Hi Sherab,

Here are the numbers for the Oct 17th hearing. We probably won't have to call these folks until around 11. We only need one on the phone at a time. Peter will testify first.

Peter Leonis, CMS
312-353-3817

Mary Ann Hack, Indiana Long Term Care Partnership
317-508-5831

Thanks!!

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Subject: Senate Select Committee on Health Care Reform

Hi Jennifer:

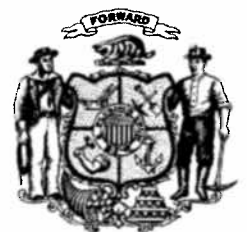
Representing the Wisconsin Partnership Program:

Karen Bullock, Chief Executive Officer, Community Health Partnership, Inc.
Paul Soczynski, Chief Operating Officer, Community Care, Inc.

Thank you!
Micahel Blumenfeld



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9-21-06 Conversation with Donna Folkemer NCSL 202-624-8171

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Mark Miners is a good contact on partnership...

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497-7582 ↓ 518-473-8083

David Guttchen Connecticut Guttchen 860-418-6318 David.Guttchen@po.state.ct.us

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OCT 17th
Partnership
Program

Carolyn.hardville@fssa.in.gov

Here is an e-mail address for Carolyn Hardville. She should be able to provide you with information regarding Indiana's experience with LTC Partnerships.

~~Sent to
Laura DeGilio
3/6/08~~

Indiana
updated
9/28

Carol Cutter
317-232-
5695

Oct. 17th @ noon Partnership

Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Region 5 - Chicago

Leadership

Jackie Garner, *Regional Administrator*
David Dupre, *Deputy Regional Administrator*

Contact:
Peter Leoni
Called him on 9/25

Program Information

The Chicago Regional Office (Region 5) should be your initial point of contact on any Medicare, Medicaid, or State Child Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), issue in the following states:

Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Contact Information

For general inquiries, use the telephone number listed below. For more specific issues, review the Contact List under the Downloads section at the bottom of this page.

CMS - Region 5
233 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 600
Chicago, IL 60601
Phone: (312) 886-6432
Fax: (312) 353-0252

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- Contact the Chicago Regional Office for Specific Program Issues [PDF, 45KB]
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License Issue Date: 1/10/2005

Organization(s) represented:

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1/10/2005

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9/28
Jim McGinn - JS called - he will touch base with Tom more & John Sawyers (?) - the Executive Directors, to see if they would be available on Oct 17th.

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*10-6-06
 left a message
 for Sarah -
 interest in testifying?*

OCTOBER 17, 2006

PARTNERSHIP

Jim Harbridge

- Laura DeGolier and ~~Rob Bertram~~...NAIFA WI.
-Will be in support of some encouragement from the government either in partnerships or tax credits. Testimony will be endorsed by NAIFA Fond du Lac. Once testimony is prepared they will be asking for endorsement of NAIFA WI.

- Peter Leonis...Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
-He will plan on contacting late the week of Oct. 9th with an outline of our testimony.
-312-353-3817

- Mary Ann Hack...Indiana Partnership Program
Maryann@insightltci.com
-She used to run the Indiana program
-Eastern time (hour ahead us). Available 10-12.
-317-508-5831

- Dick Sweet...Legislative Council
-Left a message for him on 9-29.
-Address state statutes relating to Partnership... why we have them...Robert Wood Foundation grant etc. that we never had the chance to implement due to the Feds. Next steps...what would we need to do to get program going...statute change...admin. rule?

FAMILY CARE

- Tom Fraizer...Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
Lynn Breedlove...Disability Rights Wisconsin Legislature
-CR wants limited to 10 minutes.
-Needs to testify by 1:15pm. Lynn has a 2:00 meeting he needs to get to.

NURSING HOME CARE

- JODI BLOCH...Wisconsin Hospital Association
-Called week of the 9-25.
-E-mailed on 10-2. Does WHA want to testify?

- JIM MCGINN...Wisconsin Health Care Association

DHFS

- NOT SURE WHO WILL TESTIFY
 - Deficit Reduction Act changes they have included in the budget request.
 - Update on Family Care and the relocation initiative
 - Explanation of the letter the Dept. sent to CR and AD regarding MA waivers.
 - MA fraud...response to DHI testimony?

Counties



Media Room

For Immediate Release
Friday, February 04, 2005

Ethnie Groves, Governor's Office, 608-261-2156

Governor Doyle Announces \$10 Million Budget Proposal to Reduce Medical Errors, Costs **Initiative Will Help Care Providers Implement Electronic Medical Record Systems**

Governor Jim Doyle announced today that his budget will include \$10 million for a grant and loan program to increase the use of electronic medical record systems, reducing medical errors, improving safety, and decreasing health care costs. Governor Doyle made the announcement at Dean Health System in Madison.

"I am committed to ensuring that all Wisconsin citizens receive quality health care," Governor Doyle said. "That's why I am pleased to unveil a proposal of my budget that will help to reduce potentially dangerous medical errors and unnecessary spending by helping care providers implement electronic medical records systems."

According to Dr. David Brailer, National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, about 30 percent of current health care spending - up to \$300 billion each year nationwide - is inappropriate, redundant, or unnecessary. Wisconsin alone spends about \$6 billion on unneeded, or in some cases dangerous, treatment of patients. According to the U.S. Institute of Medicine, up to 98,000 people in the United States can die every year from medical errors.

"Care providers still often rely on paper charts written by hand to record the treatment of patients," Governor Doyle said. "The use of electronic medical records systems can not only prevent deaths, but also eliminate much of the unnecessary administrative costs."

A new Health Care Quality and Patient Safety Board will develop a plan to automate all health care information systems in Wisconsin by 2010. The Board will award grants and loans to clinics, HMOs, hospitals, and physicians to help them purchase and implement automated systems.

"As we begin to integrate such medical technology throughout our own system we feel confident it will enhance patient safety, improve healthcare quality to our patients, and manage costs," said Allen D. Kemp, MD, Dean Health System CEO and Board Chairman. "Efforts to make such technology more available statewide are very positive for the health of Wisconsin citizens."

With this new technology, a doctor will be able to instantly access the patient's history, including allergies, medications, previous test results, x-rays, CAT scans, and other important pieces of information. The technology can then help the doctor to know what tests to run based on the patient's history. Additionally, when a patient shows certain symptoms that lead to a particular diagnosis, the technology will prompt the physician with possible treatments. This will ensure that the doctor is also receiving updates about new

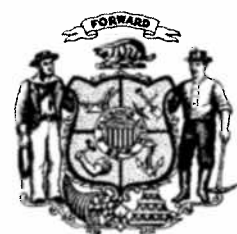
treatments that have been developed for certain ailments.

The technology is also useful in emergency situations when a person is not receiving care from his or her primary physician. With health information technologies that communicate across health care systems, patients' records can be quickly accessed to assist the attending physician with treating the patient based on their medical history.

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Roessler

STEVEN MOSES in FED Gov Same
Mark MINORS → ~~MINORS~~
worked with establishing.

why buy when gov.
gives away for free
net

→ Oct 17

DATE ★ Fmpm
920-921-4191

State of ~~INDIANA~~ INDIANA

New York

INDIANA & Exp w/
PusherCare -
Name person ask?
of contract. ask to
come.

Laura
Degler

9/5/06 Gail Sumi

→ LTC Partnership → Gail Sumi
AARP

→ Concern: opportunity for fraud.
↳ only applies if qualify for Medicaid
in the partnership aspect.

→ Call Gail, Laura Degolier, → NCSL article

→ Meeting w Tim Cullen (BCBS, member of Task Force)
^{Wellpoint}
~~Gail Sumi~~ & AD

→ AG articles



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October 17th Speakers Partnership

Laura DeGolier

- She plans to testify on behalf of Ms. Indewine, Rose Bertram + Laura ^{DeGolier} **NAIFA** Fond du Lac

X Mark Mines - CAN'T MAKE IT

- Laura DeGolier is putting a call into him (JS talked to her 9/25)

WJL
Johna Folkenner
202-202-6241-8171

CMS - Peter Lewis

- 9/25 JS left a message 312-886-6432
- 9/27 - yes chabbe over the phone - will talk to expert @ CMS + get back to me.

~~David Guttman, Connecticut~~

- JS called 9/25 left v.m. 860-418-6378
- 9/27 called back - can't attend

} NO

~~Gail Sumi - AAAP~~

- 9/26 JS called - still int. in testifying?
- Does he want her to testify?

Hava Leah
1/2
1/14

Carol Cutter phone# 317-232-5695

- 9/28 JS called, left message.
- 147 was main - 1/2 (1/2)

Divestment

CR said no for this hearing

Lisa Ray - State Bar

- Jim Jager (1st) will present
- Slow down in implementing strict divestment laws. Slow down with look back.
- Lisa will e-mail me outline of issues Jim will cover (overview of fed law etc.)

* Ins. Industry Rep speak to support for ~~CR~~ New "look back"?

~~CR~~

~~Q-Baert member~~

HFS -
MH travel
3rd party payer?

DHFS - LTC Ask

- Family Care? CR
- Update Committee
- Relocation - update committee
- MH waiver?

John Blauk ... ?
(Bill Blau)
ET LTC in Nursing Home
Jim
meant
Hill

Family Care

10 min

Tom Fraiser + Lyn Breedlow

- ↳ 221-0006 ↳ 267-0214
- 9/25 JS left Lyn a message (testifying? F.C. expansion)
- Lyn said they would talk about the DHFS budget proposal on family care + the positive evaluation of family care from a year ago.
- If OK wants them to discuss other things - pls. let him know.

* Lyn has a 2:00pm mtg. that day - will need to testify by 1:15pm.

Nursing Home

10/3 - Maybe
Bill
Smith

Jodi Bloch

WHA subsidizing - homes

9/25 left message

10/2 - emailed ... interest in testifying?

Jim McGinn

9/28 Jim will contact Tom Mara + John Salye
the exec. directors - oversee all nursing
homes.

Ren called 10/5:

Helene will testify

- Family Care expansion
- Waiver piece - need more info
- Intro. Kevin Haden to discuss MA fraud / DHS issue. Also DRA changes in agency budget request