

## Meeting minutes: Medical Services Review Board

Date: April 16, 2020

Minutes prepared by: Anita Hess

Location: Phone-in meeting

### Attendance

#### Members present

Beth Baker, chair  
Laura Breeher  
Courtney Mitchell  
Elizabeth Alm  
Lisa Hanselman  
Bradley Kuzel  
Erica Kuhlmann  
Todd Ginkel  
Joseph J. Schulte  
Matthew Monsein  
Dan Wolfe  
Natalie Haefner  
Russell Gelfman

#### Members absent

Elisah Harris  
Buck McAlpin  
Jeffrey Bonsell

#### Alternates present

Kimberly Olson  
Kathleen Gomez  
Emily Bannister  
Tammy Bredahl  
Keith Johnson

#### Alternates absent

Dave Nelson  
Kevin Scott Wall

#### Staff members present

Roslyn Robertson  
Ernest Lampe  
Anita Hess  
Lisa Wichterman  
Ethan Landy  
Kate Berger

### Call to order

A phone-in meeting of the Medical Services Review Board (MSRB) was called to order at 4:32 p.m. by Dr. Beth Baker. Attendance was taken and Baker confirmed that a quorum of member was met.

### Approval of minutes

A motion to approve the board's Jan. 16, 2020, meeting minutes with one revision, discussion of TBI guidelines. A motion was made by Natalie Haefner and seconded by Dan Wolfe. The board voted all in favor. The motion carried.

#### Approval of agenda

A motion to approve the April 16, 2020 meeting agenda. Motion to approve was made by Todd Ginkel and seconded by Liz Alm. The board voted all in favor. The motion carried.

## **Department update – Deputy Commissioner Roslyn Robertson**

Due to COVID-19, the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) has implemented "shelter in place." DLI is continuing as normal with 399 employees working from home. Currently, it has 40 staff members on site and two reassigned to other agencies.

We will email links to the COVID-19 workers' compensation bill and FAQs to the board.

## **Business**

### **PTSD treatment draft rules update – Ethan Landy, Office of General Counsel**

Ethan Landy, DLI Office of General Counsel, explained the post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) update treatment parameter rules are listed on DLI's website. The law judge approved the rules March 26, 2020. They did include one modification in subpart 11, which will be published. This is the final rule. The rules are effective upon publication in the state registrar.

### **Opioid comparison update – David Berry, Research and Statistics**

- David Berry, DLI Research and Statistics, reviewed a chart showing a decrease in opioids use.
- MSRB decided not to change the opioid parameters at this time.

### **Work Comp Campus update – Brad Morse, Workers' Compensation Modernization Program**

Work Comp Campus is currently on track to go live; COVID-19 isn't slowing down the work being done. It is scheduled to go live Aug. 31, 2020. The main thing for health care providers is, if you have concerns, let Morse know. Training and demonstrations will be provided.

### **Telemedicine – Ernest Lampe, DLI medical consultant**

Minnesota has a telemedicine statute in place. The Department of Human Services has treatment guidelines for Medicaid participants. Treatment must be provided by a licensed health care provider. Email or phone calls do not constitute telemedicine. It must be over real time visual communication. Gov. Tim Walz has issued an emergency executive order expanding the use of telemedicine.

### **Traumatic brain injuries**

MSRB would like to look at mild traumatic brain injuries (TBI) and, potentially, treatment parameters for passive modalities to see what's feasible.

## **Adjournment: Baker and board**

Baker thanked everyone for coming. Wolfe moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Ginkel. All voted in favor and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m.

## Next meeting dates

- July 16, 2020
- Oct. 8, 2020