

Special Needs BasicCare July 2016 transition

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RFP process

- **purpose of RFP:**
 - **New health plan choices 7/1/2016 for 30 northern MN counties (Medica was only plan option in 20 counties)**
 - **Increase plan choice and Medicare coverage for 1/1/2017**
 - **RFP included non-integrated counties only**
- **4 responders: UCare, HealthPartners, MHP and Medica**

RFP, continued

- **Successful responders have been chosen and contract offers have been sent out**
- **RFP appears to have been a success in increasing health plan choice and integration**
- **Pending contract negotiation, expect to have health plan coverage in all MN counties as of July 1, 2016**
- **Successful bidders for all 20 counties where Medica was the only choice.**
- **Most of the 20 will now have 2 plan choices, 2 of the 20 will have 3 plan choices and 2 will have 1 plan choice**
- **Counties involved in RFP were confidentially notified of DHS entering into contract negotiations with successful responders in their county**
- **Pending DHS contract negotiation and CMS approval, could have integrated option statewide in 2017**

Enrollee Communication

- **Thanks to your input, this will be a client friendly mailing focused on people losing Medica coverage**
 - Medica no longer available
 - Will be enrolled in new SNBC plan if no action
 - May choose a different SNBC plan
 - May opt out of SNBC
- **No letters in May for people not losing Medica coverage in the 30 counties**
- **New health plan choices will be presented to:**
 - New enrollees
 - Everyone at open enrollment
- **Special letters for current enrollees over age 65 who are losing Medica coverage**

Policy Recommendation

- **Need for change in SNBC policy has been building**
- **Longstanding issue #1: people over age 65 need timely access to services**
- **Longstanding issue #2: improve options counseling for enrollees turning 65**
- **Factors making change more urgent:**
 - **Rapid SNBC program enrollment**
 - **Increased evidence of the value of Medicare integration**
 - **July 2016 scenarios**
 - **Adults without children eligibility in Medicaid**
- **After researching and discussing options we recommend bright line for people over 65; must enroll in seniors product**

SNBC Olmstead Impacts

- **Focus on dental in SNBC RFP**
- **In 2013, the number of adults continuously enrolled in Medicaid coverage during the measurement year accessing annual dental visits was 21, 393**
- **Annual goals**
 - Increase by 335 over baseline by Dec 2016;
 - Increase by 670 over baseline by Dec 2017;
 - Increase by 1,055 over baseline by Dec 2018
- **Continue looking for opportunities to collaborate to improve quality and increase access to dental services for people with disabilities**