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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

SEN. MARY CAFERRO, Presiding Officer

SEN. CHRISTINE KAUFMANN

REP. LIZ BANGERTER
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REP. CAROLYN PEASE-LOPEZ
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COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED

SEN. JASON PRIEST
SEN. ART WITTICH

STAFF PRESENT

SUE O'CONNELL, Lead Staff
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JULIANNE BURKHARDT, Staff Attorney
FONG HOM, Secretary

Agenda and Visitors' List

Agenda ([Attachment 1](#))
Visitors' list ([Attachment 2](#))

COMMITTEE ACTION

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

00:00:25 SEN. CAFERRO called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. The secretary called roll ([Attachment 3](#)). Sen. Priest and Sen. Wittich were excused.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES MONITORING: CHCs and Dental Care

Bob Marsalli, CEO, Montana Primary Care Association

Dr. Joanna Wales, Dental Director, Community Health Partners Health Center

00:01:53 Bob Marsalli gave a presentation on Montana's Community Health Centers ([Exhibit 1](#)).

00:07:53 Dr. Joanna Wales discussed the issue of dental care in Montana.

PUBLIC COMMENT

00:15:15 **Dr. Jane Gillette, Bozeman**, asked why this topic is before the Children and Families Interim Committee. She commented on the role of community dental care.

00:20:45 **Dave Hemion, Executive Director, Montana Dental Association**, said that MDA had established a task force composed of private practicing dentists and community health center dentists to look at the role of CHCs in community dental care.

Committee questions

00:22:43 REP. ROBERTS
00:23:49 REP. BANGERTER
00:24:23 Mr. Marsalli
00:25:53 REP. BANGERTER
00:26:11 Dr. Wales
00:27:18 REP. BANGERTER
00:27:45 Dr. Wales
00:27:51 SEN. KAUFMANN
00:28:19 Mr. Marsalli
00:31:39 REP. ROBERTS
00:32:18 Dr. Wales
00:33:53 REP. ROBERTS
00:34:31 Mr. Marsalli
00:36:54 SEN. CAFERRO
00:37:34 Mr. Marsalli

MEDICAID MONITORING: PREPARING FOR THE MEDICAID EXPANSION

Lorez Meinhold, Colorado Governor's Office (via phone)

Ron Baldwin, DPHHS Technology Services Division

**Gregg Davis, Director of Health Care Industry Research, University of Montana
Bureau of Business and Economic Research**

- 00:39:52 Ms. O'Connell gave an overview on "Planning for the Medicaid Expansion" **(Exhibit 2)**.
- 00:44:12 **Ms. Lorez Meinhold** gave a presentation of what Colorado is doing to prepare for changes required by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.
- 00:50:57 **Mr. Ron Baldwin** discussed Medicaid expansion, its impact on the Information Technology systems at DPHHS, and what the Department's road map is for dealing with those impacts **(Exhibit 3)**.
- 00:59:50 **Mr. Gregg Davis** gave a presentation on what the Bureau of Business and Economic Research is doing in terms of trying to establish baseline data as it relates to who has and who doesn't have health insurance **(Exhibit 4)**.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

Committee Questions

- 01:09:38 REP. ROBERTS
- 01:10:06 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:11:16 REP. ROBERTS
- 01:11:46 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:13:03 REP. BANGERTER
- 01:13:16 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:13:37 REP. BANGERTER
- 01:13:53 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:14:44 SEN. KAUFMANN
- 01:15:13 Ms. Meinhold
- 01:17:52 SEN. KAUFMANN
- 01:18:21 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:20:16 SEN. KAUFMANN
- 01:20:45 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:21:27 REP. ROBERTS
- 01:21:52 Ms. Meinhold
- 01:23:30 SEN. KAUFMANN
- 01:24:05 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:24:50 Ms. O'Connell
- 01:25:16 SEN. KAUFMANN
- 01:25:42 Mr. Davis
- 01:25:51 SEN. CAFERRO
- 01:26:22 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:26:56 SEN. CAFERRO
- 01:27:13 Mr. Baldwin
- 01:28:26 SEN. CAFERRO

01:29:02 Mr. Baldwin
01:30:33 SEN. CAFERRO
01:30:47 Mr. Baldwin
01:32:23 SEN. CAFERRO
01:33:33 Mr. Baldwin

BREAK - reconvened at 10:52 a.m.

MEDICAID MONITORING: PROVIDER RATES

01:46:05 Ms. O'Connell discussed Medicaid provider rates and the bill draft, LCCF01 ([Exhibit 5](#)).

PUBLIC COMMENT

01:51:23 **Erin MacLean, Montana Medical Association**, provided comments on behalf of Jean Branscum, and urged the committee to support the physician's 6% increase.

01:53:27 **Lora Cowee, Intermountain**, encouraged the committee to support the bill.

01:55:03 **Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, NAMI Montana**, supports the provider rate increase.

01:56:07 **Barbara Burton, Executive Director, Florence Crittenton Home and Services**, thanked the committee for looking at the rates.

01:56:58 **Wally Melcher, President and CEO, Helena Industries, representing the Montana Association of Community Disability Services**, thanked the committee for the bill draft. He encouraged the committee to fund the full amount including the federal participation.

01:58:12 **Dennis Taylor, Policy Coordinator for Montana Children's Initiative**, thanked the committee for recognizing the inequities and creating a vehicle to provide funds as soon as possible. MCI supports the bill draft.

02:00:43 **Jim Parker, Western Montana Mental Health Center**, supports the provider rate increase and addressing the reimbursement rates.

02:06:48 **Kathy McGowan, Community Mental Health Centers**, commented on the recruitment and retention issues for mental health providers.

02:07:57 **Rose Hughes, Executive Director, Montana Health Care Association**, thanked the committee for raising the issue of provider rates. She commented on the federal match and suggested that it be structured by the Department in a way that brings in the federal match.

02:12:34 **Bob Olsen, Montana Hospital Association**, supported the bill draft.

- 02:12:57 **Hank Whitaker, Chief Financial Officer for Region Four Family Outreach, Helena**, commented on how difficult it is to manage a business with the revenue that is generated.
- 02:13:40 Ms. O'Connell provided a copy of Boon Moua's comments for the record ([Exhibit 6](#)).

CANCER CLINICAL TRIALS: REPORT OF THE HB 615 ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Monica Lindeen, State Auditor
Christina Goe, Legal Staff**

- 02:15:40 Ms. Lindeen presented the Cancer Clinical Trials study recommendations ([Exhibit 7](#)).
- 02:22:00 Ms. O'Connell distributed public comment ([Exhibit 8](#)) from Dr. Ben Marchello, Dr. Jack Hensold, Dr. John Schallenkamp, and Jo Duszkiwicz who were in support of the CSI's study recommendations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 02:22:05 **Kristin Page-Nei, American Cancer Society, Cancer Action Network**, commented on the recommendations from the study to enhance the availability of clinical trials to all patients.
- 02:24:51 **Todd Lovshin, Allegiance Family Companies**, supported the consensus of the report and looks forward to a committee bill.
- Committee questions**
- 02:26:01 REP. ROBERTS
- 02:27:47 Christina Goe
- 02:29:06 **Cory Hartman, New West Health Services**, discussed the proposed language for exclusion.

BREAK FOR LUNCH - reconvened at 1:02 p.m.

SJR 30 STUDY OF CHILDHOOD TRAUMA: INTRODUCTION AND PROCESS

- 03:56:02 Mr. Barrs provided opening remarks on SJR 30 Study of Childhood Trauma.
- **Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences - Ms. Liz Kohlstaedt, Ph.D., Chief Clinical Officer, Intermountain**
- 04:06:05 Ms. Kohlstaedt discussed adverse childhood experiences (ACE). She also distributed a fact sheet "ACE (Adverse Childhood Experiences)" ([Exhibit 9](#)).
- 04:10:34 Ms. Kohlstaedt gave a presentation on understanding the effects of early chronic adversity on the developing child ([Exhibit 10](#)).

Committee questions

04:38:24 REP. ROBERTS
04:38:48 Dr. Kohlstaedt
04:39:18 REP. ROBERTS
04:39:50 Dr. Kohlstaedt
04:41:51 SEN. KAUFMANN
04:42:44 Dr. Kohlstaedt
04:46:34 SEN. KAUFMANN
04:47:11 Dr. Kohlstaedt

- **Promising Practices Around the Country**
Ellen Gerrity, The National Child Traumatic Stress Network
Laura Ornelas, The Kinship Center

04:51:21 Mr. Barrs gave opening remarks.
04:52:40 Ellen Gerrity gave a presentation on The National Child Traumatic Stress Network.
05:17:21 Laura Ornelas gave background information on The Kinship Center.

Committee questions of speakers

05:38:31 REP. ROBERTS
05:39:01 Ms. Ornelas
05:40:01 SEN. CAFERRO
05:41:18 Ms. Gerrity
05:43:47 SEN. CAFERRO
05:45:16 Ms. Gerrity
05:46:54 Ms. Ornelas

BREAK - reconvened at 3:13 p.m.

- **Latest Data on Incidence of Childhood Trauma in Montana**
Todd Harwell, Chief, Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Bureau, DPHHS
Cory Costello, Field Services Administrator, Child and Family Services Division, DPHHS

06:07:31 Todd Harwell gave a presentation on adverse childhood experiences ([Exhibit 11](#)).
06:15:27 Cory Costello discussed Adverse Childhood Experience and Child & Family Services ([Exhibit 12](#)).

Committee questions

06:29:58 SEN. CAFERRO
06:30:23 Ms. Costello

06:30:49 SEN. CAFERRO
06:31:26 Ms. Costello
06:32:57 SEN. CAFERRO
06:33:12 Ms. Costello
06:33:27 SEN. CAFERRO
06:33:45 Ms. Costello

- **Trauma Prevention/Mitigation in Schools and Communities: Practitioners' Efforts and Impacts**
Bob Runkel, Developmental Services Division, DPHHS
Jim FitzGerald, Intermountain

06:34:52 Jim FitzGerald discussed services provided by Intermountain.

06:54:15 Bob Runkel discussed the programs provided by the Department of Public Health and Human Services. He distributed a handout "Medicaid Mental Health Youth & Comprehensive School and Community Treatment (CSCT)" (**Exhibit 13**) that shows the types of services that they provide.

Committee questions

07:04:11 REP. BANGERTER
07:04:44 Mr. FitzGerald
07:06:40 REP. ROBERTS
07:06:59 Mr. FitzGerald
07:07:19 REP. ROBERTS
07:07:40 Mr. FitzGerald
07:07:50 REP. ROBERTS
07:08:14 Mr. FitzGerald
07:08:38 SEN. CAFERRO
07:08:56 Mr. Runkel
07:09:15 SEN. CAFERRO
07:09:34 Mr. Runkel
07:09:59 SEN. CAFERRO
07:10:13 Mr. Runkel
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07:10:59 Mr. Runkel
07:11:07 SEN. CAFERRO
07:11:14 Mr. Runkel
07:11:22 SEN. CAFERRO
07:11:47 Mr. Runkel
07:15:08 SEN. CAFERRO
07:15:29 Mr. Runkel

PUBLIC COMMENT ON TRAUMA PREVENTION

07:16:20 **Cil Robison, Juvenile Justice Planner for Board of Crime Control**, said that the children who end up in the juvenile justice system are often times disproportionately represented in the juvenile justice, disproportionately

represented in the child foster care system, and disproportionately represented in children's health issues.

07:19:48 **Matt Kuntz, NAMI**, said this is an important issue for NAMI families and that measuring outcomes is critical.

07:23:13 **Todd Garrison, Executive Director, Childwise Institute**, provided background information on Childwise Institute.

07:25:55 **Anita Roessmann, Disability Rights Montana**, commented on preventing trauma to children.

07:32:01 **Barbara Burton, Executive Director, Florence Crittenton**, commented on having prevention and intervention.

07:41:38 **Bob Runkel** commented on the number of children served by the Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility Waiver Program and the amount of money that is being spent.

RECESS

07:42:29 SEN. CAFERRO recessed the meeting at 4:49 p.m.

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