

Liability and Risk Mitigation Committee Meeting Notes
September 15, 2015

Participants: Gale Bohling (ResCare), Jeff Coleman (Soreo), Alan Tiano (United Healthcare Comm. Plan), David Lara, DES/DDD, Patrick La Voie, CMS, Cheyenne Ross, (Bridgeway Health Solutions), Virginia Rountree, (AHCCCS); Jennifer Carrusetta (AHCCCS); Monica Coury (AHCCCS) Facilitator: Jeff Coleman

- Monica Coury distributed a draft set of recommendations which were reviewed and discussed by workgroup members.
- Input was received regarding: 1. the need to replace the term “fire” with “terminate”; 2. Need to add the recommendations for contracts between the member and DCW and between the agency and member; 3. Need to annually renew contracts. 4. Potential to change recommendation of a bond requirement to comprehensive insurance coverage. These changes/additions to the draft recommendations were made.
- There was some discussion regarding the indemnification recommendation and why a similar requirement did not exist for agencies using a W2/employee model. Ms. Coury emphasized that indemnification was necessary for Independent Contractors because of existing legal challenges to the use of IC’s and the State’s need to take a conservative approach.
- Ms. Cory stated that one of the requirements to implementing an IC model was that the IC’s would need to become registered AHCCCS providers. There was concern about this requirement resulting in delays in on-boarding new DCW’s who will be working as IC’s. Ms. Coury acknowledged this and agreed to work with the Provider Registration Department to implement an expedited, fast track process for DCW’s to get registered as AHCCCS providers. Ms. Coury agreed to involve stakeholders in a discussion of the specifics of this process after she has had the opportunity to review with the provider Registration Department.
- Ms. Coury will present the work group recommendations at the September 23rd. larger committee meeting.