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Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee Meeting
February 3, 2016
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

A meeting of the P&T Committee convened at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 3, 2016.

2. Welcome

Edward Behling, MD, called the meeting to order and welcomed members, guests, and staff members.

Dr. Behling opened the meeting by stating that the P&T Committee meetings are held in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act's (FOIA) mandate that the public is notified when the public's business is being done, and that furthermore, the public has been notified that this facility is accessible to individuals with disabilities, and special accommodations could have been provided if requested in advance.

3. Committee Members Present:

Gregory Browning, MD
Kelly Jones, PharmD
Divya Ahuja, MD
Joni Bollinger, MD

Tan Platt, MD
Edward Behling, MD
Dr. Kashyap Patel

Thomas Phillips, R.Ph.
Cheryl Hartvigsen, R.Ph.
Phillip Mubarak, MD

SC DHHS Staff:

Bryan Amick, PharmD, MBA
Jim Bradford, MD
Damian Bridges
Constance Holloway, JD
Janet Giles

Magellan Medicaid Admin:

Lisa Correll, PharmD
Lori Ash

4. Discussion Topics

A. Committee Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, November 4, 2015

The draft minutes from the previous P&T Committee meeting were emailed to the members so that they could review the document prior to the meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously.

B. Public Comment

Company	Speaker	Drug/Class

† No speakers

C. Drug Classes for Review

No therapeutic classes were reviewed

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

Bryan addressed P&T's primary charge. The committee members are charged with recommending drugs to be preferred, acting as a sounding board for agency policies related to medications, ensure SC DHHS' drug coverage policies are consistent with best medical evidence and avoid cost discussion with a focus on relative effectiveness and safety. Bryan also discussed moving the February P&T meeting to April or June going forward. Lisa will survey the committee for their availability.

Lisa presented new drugs to market and new Hepatitis C drugs in the pipeline. Bryan discussed the Governor's task force on Opioids. Effective April 1, 2016, Medicaid providers must access a patient's controlled substance scripts via the SCRIPTS database before issuing a prescription. Bryan also discussed how pharmacy expenditures have outpaced historical trends and budget projections. He will engage the P&T committee to evaluate opportunities.

7. Resolved Items

8. Closing Comments

The next meeting date is TBD.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.