Meeting summary for OHCA NF Member Call (04/16/2024)

Quick recap

pete led a comprehensive discussion on various healthcare-related issues including legal matters, the progress of the minimum staffing rule, and the potential expansion of the Medicaid access rule. He also covered topics related to healthcare regulation and policy, such as the filing of a State Plan Amendment by Medicaid, the implementation of an overtime rule by the Department of Labor, and the practice of 'abbreviated surveys'. Lastly, he addressed concerns about changes to a chart determining resident care levels, issues with Medicaid managed care plans, and the need for providers to establish their own policies.

Next steps

- Pete will encourage everyone to sign up for the upcoming convention, even if they can only attend for a day, and provide information about the registration discount.
- Pete will update the team on the progress of the "rid of mandamus" action in the Supreme Court of Ohio, including the state's response and the potential for discovery.
- Dana will clarify the level of detail needed in the policy regarding midlines for PPE and ensure it aligns with CDC and OSHA guidelines.
- Mandy or Heidi will follow up on the status of the proposed rule change allowing non-STAAS to provide oral care, as it could impact member facilities.

Summary

Pete's Updates and Legal Matters

pete led a call with Ohca sniff members, discussing various updates and issues, including his dog's health, an upcoming convention, and legal matters. He announced that a decision in their "rid of mandamus" action was pending, and expressed his opposition to the state's request for a delaying tactic. He also discussed the progress of the minimum staffing rule and the potential expansion of the Medicaid access rule, as well as Aka's strategy to address political issues. Mandy highlighted the usefulness of the Q. Core website for data on certified nursing facilities, while Diane raised concerns about changes to a chart determining resident care levels and issues with Medicaid managed care plans.

Healthcare Regulation and Survey Improvements

pete discussed various issues related to healthcare regulation and policy, including the filing of a State Plan Amendment by Medicaid, the upcoming implementation of an overtime rule by the Department of Labor, and the issue of enhanced barrier

precautions. He also provided updates on the state's efforts to improve their survey capabilities, the practice of 'abbreviated surveys', and a pilot program for testing.

Pete's Presentation and Next Week's Call

pete covered a wide range of topics and concluded the session without any further questions. He thanked everyone for their participation and informed them that they would be notified about the next week's call over the weekend. Mandy made a brief comment about the attendance and encouraged the participants.

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