

West Volusia Hospital Authority
WVHA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING
September 10, 2020
Commencing upon the conclusion of the Initial Budget Hearing
Via Teleconference: 1-339-209-4657
DeLand, FL

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. WVHA HealthCard Members eligibility extended to 11/1/2020 and 11/15/2020, Dr. Andrew Murray, CMO/EBMS
3. Adjournment

Eileen Long

From: Andrew G. Murray <amurray@ebms.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 3:16 PM
To: Eileen Long
Cc: Ted Small; Dolores Guzman (wvhs.dguzman@gmail.com); Darik J. Croft
Subject: HealthCard eligibility - recommended eligibility transition plan around 10/1/2020

Eileen,

We are preparing to send correspondence to all Health Card members around 9/15th detailing the benefit changes, introduce the new clinic services and provide a new member ID card. Following the most recent eligibility extension we did in July (see below) we now have 1,403 members who will need to be processed by THND for re-validation by either 10/1 or 10/15. We are concerned about THND's ability to practically complete this volume of required revalidations in such time that will allow us to dispatch membership cards and onboarding materials by 9/15th to avoid any potential disruptions in access to care.

It is certainly possible that Gov. Desantis may extend the state of emergency again beyond 9/4/2020 but as a fallback position in case Gov. Desantis allows the state of emergency to expire in September we recommend extending eligibility for all members by 31 days so that this potential 10/1 "eligibility cliff" does not coincide with the clinic launch / start of the new program year and our need to provide members with a new ID card. This approach will ensure that all members have access to the new clinic on 10/1 and will then provide to THND a full 4 weeks after that to process approximately 700 re-validation cases for 11/1 and then another 700 for 11/15.

I suggest we get a topic on the agenda for the 9/10 Budgeting meeting so we can seek formal Board approval at this upcoming meeting once we know more about Gov. Desantis' 9/4th decision with regards to the state of emergency.

Andrew

From: "Andrew G. Murray" <amurray@ebms.com>
Date: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 2:03 PM
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Subject: HealthCard eligibility - extend eligibility through 9/30/2020

Eileen and team,

Gov. Desantis just extended Florida's current state of emergency by another 60 days, so now active through 9/4/2020 – see attached Florida Executive Order #166 and reported at <https://www.nbc-2.com/story/42341598/governor-desantis-extends-floridas-state-of-emergency-by-60-days>.

Following the Medicaid protocol to extend eligibility until the last day of the month during which the state of emergency is in effect, we will accordingly make arrangements to extend WVHA HealthCard eligibility through the end of September and work with THND to therefore re-validate impacted members in two tranches for effective dates of 10/1 and 10/15.

Looking forward to speaking to you at next week's meeting!