

DME ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 19, 2021

Members Present

Patrick (Pat) Naeger, Healthcare Equipment

Amy Ogle, Hannibal Med

Christopher Cobb, Cox Health

Michael Henry, Aero Care

Mike Seidel, Numotion

Grace Greninger, Cox Health

Members Absent

Karen Atkins, Mobility First

Consultants Present

Dr. Tim Hogan

Matt Chegwidde

MMAC Present

Brittney Plassmeyer

Shelly Smith

MHD Agency Staff Present

Brandon Pemberton

Sarah Becker

Amanda Fahrendorf

Beth Rehagen

Jessica Veit

Fatimah Jennings

Julie Phillips

Guests

Mike Osborn

Nick MacMillan

Welcome/Introductions

Pat Naeger, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Participants in the room and those joining via phone, introduced themselves. The meeting minutes from the June 29, 2021 meeting were approved.

Advisory Committee Member Change Request

Pat announced that Justin Decker is resigning from the committee. He recommended Mike Osborn as his replacement. Mike introduced himself and advised the committee of his credentials. The committee unanimously approved Mike to join. Julie Phillips noted that the approval is pending review and approval from MO HealthNet Administration.

Home Sleep Tests

Tim Hogan voiced concern with utilizing home-based sleep tests because they are monitored less and have a greater risk of error. MHD does not normally cover these tests, but have allowed them through the COVID emergency. Pat indicated there could be a cost savings to the state if MHD continues to allow them after the COVID emergency. He asked MHD to run a utilization report to determine what the savings could potentially be.

Presentation on Multi-Function Ventilators (E0467)

Nick MacMillan gave a presentation on multi-function ventilators (E0467). MHD does not normally cover these machines, but have allowed them through the COVID emergency. After discussion by the committee it was determined that MHD would run a report to determine whether or not this would be a cost savings to the state. Nick stated he will reach out for follow up with MHD to determine what decision is made.

New Business

Sarah Becker proposed a change in time for future meetings. Julie asked the committee if they preferred WebEx or in-person meetings. The committee made a decision to change the meeting time to 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., but to keep the meetings in person.

Pat reminded the committee to send their agenda items to Sarah.

Julie advised the recent manual updates have posted and the Hot Tip will be posted soon.

Tim reminded providers to submit invoice of costs and noted that there continues to be issues with providers not requesting the full amount.

Pat gave the motion to adjourn.

NEXT MEETING - January 11, 2022