



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON MEDICAID AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
REP. GREG VANWOERKOM
CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

10:30 AM

Room 326, House Office
Building

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Medicaid and Behavioral Health was called to order by Chair VanWoerkom.

The Chair requested attendance to be called:

Present: Reps. VanWoerkom, Phil Green, Roth, Kuhn, Robinson, Rogers, and Glanville.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Roth moved to adopt the meeting minutes from April 22, 2025. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Scott Wamsley, Director, Bureau of Aging, Community Living, and Supports, Department of Health and Human Services, and Meghan Hodge-Groen, Senior Deputy Director, Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services, presented before the Subcommittee on department programs and services for home-based and congregate care for older adults. Mr. Wamsley and Ms. Hodge-Groen provided copies of their presentation to the Subcommittee.

Mr. Wamsley and Ms. Hodge-Groen received and answered questions from the Subcommittee, and agreed to provide the following:

1. Long-term care cost increases to the State Medicaid program resulting from statutory changes to auto no-fault law.

David LaLumia, Executive Director, Area Agencies on Aging Association of Michigan, Pam Curtis, CEO, Senior Resources of West Michigan, Monica Freier, Interim Executive Director, Region VII Area Agency on Aging, and Kendrick Heinlein, President and CEO, Area Agency on Aging of West Michigan, presented before the Subcommittee on services provided by the Area Agencies on Aging. Mr. LaLumia, Ms. Curtis, Ms. Freier, and Mr. Heinlein provided copies of additional information to the Subcommittee.

Mr. LaLumia, Ms. Curtis, Ms. Freier, and Mr. Heinlein received and answered questions from the Subcommittee, and agreed to provide the following:

1. Research publications comparing home-based and congregate care settings for older adults.

Laura Haynes, President and CEO, Michigan HomeCare & Hospice Association, Jamie LaLonde, President and CEO, Angela Hospice, and Laura Alexander, Owner and CEO,

Compassionate Care Home Health, presented before the Subcommittee on services provided by member organizations of the HomeCare & Hospice Association. Ms. Haynes, Ms. LaLonde, and Ms. Alexander provided copies of additional information to the Subcommittee.

Ms. Haynes, Ms. LaLonde, and Ms. Alexander received and answered questions from the Subcommittee.

There being no further business before the Subcommittee, Chair VanWoerkom adjourned the meeting at 11:55 AM.

Representative Greg VanWoerkom, Chair

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