



## Medical Assistance Program (MAP) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 8, 2025  
4:00 p.m. – 5:10 p.m.

### I. Call to Order – Call roll for advisory council members, introduce staff (00:00:15)

#### Council Members Present:

Missy Poortenga, Department of Labor and Industry, Presiding Officer

Dr. Julie Murack, Board of Chiropractors

Jim Corson, Board of Dentistry

Dr. James Guyer, Board of Medical Examiners

Dr. Katie Rein, Board of Veterinary Medicine

Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association

Russ Motschenbacher, Board of Nursing

Marcie Bough, Board of Pharmacy (designee of Jeff Nikolaissen, presiding officer, Board of Pharmacy)

#### Staff Present:

Amy Pfarr, Department of Labor and Industry

Jennifer Stallkamp, Department of Labor and Industry

Erin Sullivan, Department of Labor and Industry

Kevin Bragg, Department of Labor and Industry

### II. Advisory Council Considerations (00:01:30:00)

- a. MAP Advisory Council goal discussion: “Examine the effectiveness of the medical recovery program, including but not limited to, overall trends in enrollment, completion rates, non-completion rates, program design, eligibility criteria, application requirements, wait times for admissions, program duration, conditions of participation, penalties for noncompliance, privacy and confidentiality protections and return-to-work restrictions”.
  - i. Regional states’ programs review (00:07:40)
  - ii. Additional data resources (00:54:15)

- b. Transition Plan update (00:55:10)

### III. Next meeting (01:00:30)

- a. Monday, December 22, 2025 at 4 p.m.

### IV. Public Comment (01:00:50)

The advisory council now offers the public in attendance an opportunity to comment on any public matter under the jurisdiction of the council that is not on the current agenda. The council cannot act but will listen to comments and may ask staff to place the issue

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on a future agenda. The Presiding Officer may limit the comment period to proceed with the council meeting.

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