



# Medical Care Advisory Committee Meeting

July 20, 2022

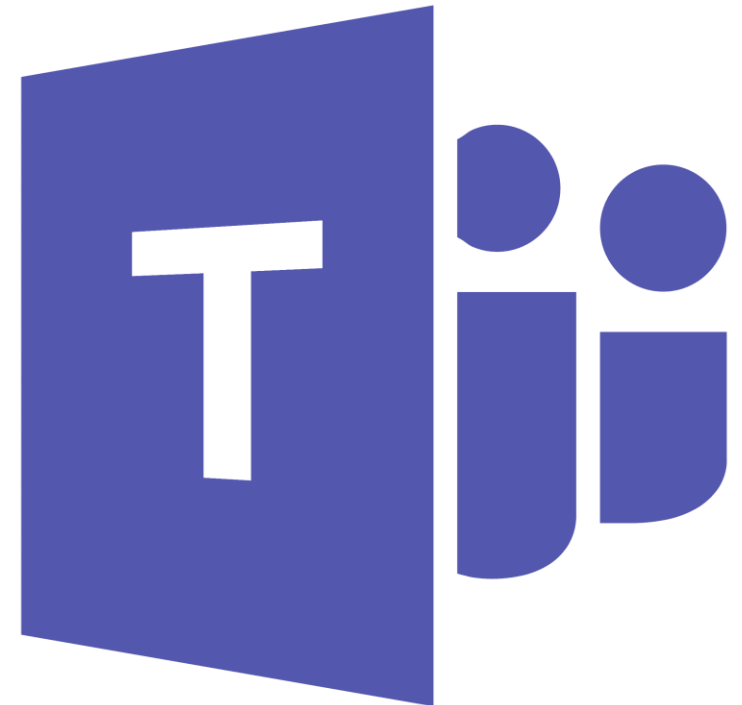
# Opening Remarks

Brittany Gray, Senior Management Analyst II



# Meeting Logistics

- **MCAC Members** can un-mute themselves and are welcome to comment or ask questions throughout the meeting.
- All other Teams attendees will remain **muted** for the duration of the meeting to minimize disruption.
- **Attendees** who wish to comment or ask questions should use the “Raise your hand” feature. We will recognize you to speak during the specified public comment period.



# Roll Call

Member	Role	Representing
Secretary Simone Marstiller / Deputy Secretary for Medicaid, Tom Wallace	Committee Chair	Agency for Health Care Administration
Secretary Barbara Palmer / Tom Rice	Committee Member	Agency for Persons with Disabilities
Surgeon General Joseph A. Ladapo, MD, PhD / Deputy Secretary for Operations, Michele Tallent	Committee Member	Department of Health
Secretary Shevaun Harris / Assistant Secretary Casey Penn	Committee Member	Department of Children and Families
Secretary Michelle Branham / Jennifer Moore	Committee Member	Department of Elder Affairs
David Mica, Jr.	Committee Member	Florida Hospital Association
Dr. Diane Sanders-Cepeda	Committee Member	Florida Society for Post- Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine
Victoria Zepp	Committee Member	Florida Coalition for Children
Michael Lawton	Committee Member	Florida Association of Health Plans
Dr. William Marchese	Committee Member	Florida Dental Association
Stanley Whittaker, MSN, ARNP	Committee Member	Florida Association of Nurse Practitioners
Michael Lockwood	Committee Member	Beneficiary



# MCAC - Meeting Agenda

- **Opening Remarks**
- **Medicaid Program Updates**
- **Subpopulation Committee Update**
- **Public Comment**
- **Adjourn**



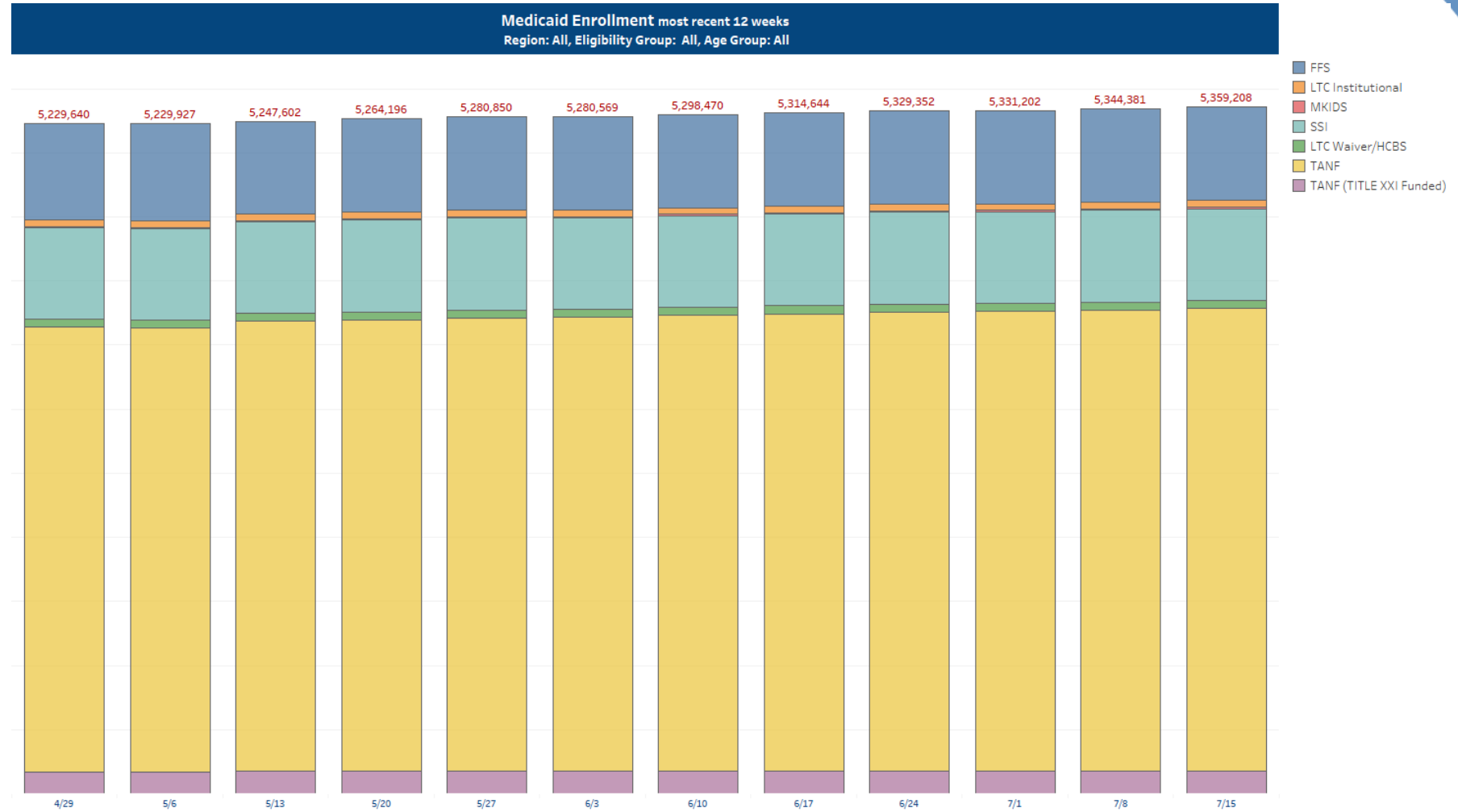
# Medicaid Program Updates

Tom Wallace, Medicaid Director



# Medicaid Enrollment

- Total enrollment as of July 15, 2022: **5.36 million recipients.**
- A 3-month increase in enrollment is equal to **129,568 recipients** or an **increase of over 2.5%.**
- The largest portion for the enrollment increase has been children and families (TANF), and the FFS population has decreased while the managed care population has increased.



Sum of Enroll Cur and sum of Enroll Cur for each Rpt dte. For pane Sum of Enroll Cur: Color shows details about Elig Group. For pane Sum of Enroll Cur (2): The marks are labeled by sum of Enroll Cur. The data is filtered on Age grp, Region, Action (Region\_g) and Latest 12 week's enrollment. The Age grp filter keeps 0 - 18, 19 - 64 and 65+. The Region filter keeps 13 of 13 members. The Action (Region\_g) filter keeps 13 members. The Latest 12 week's enrollment filter keeps True. The view is filtered on Elig Group, which keeps 7 of 7 members.



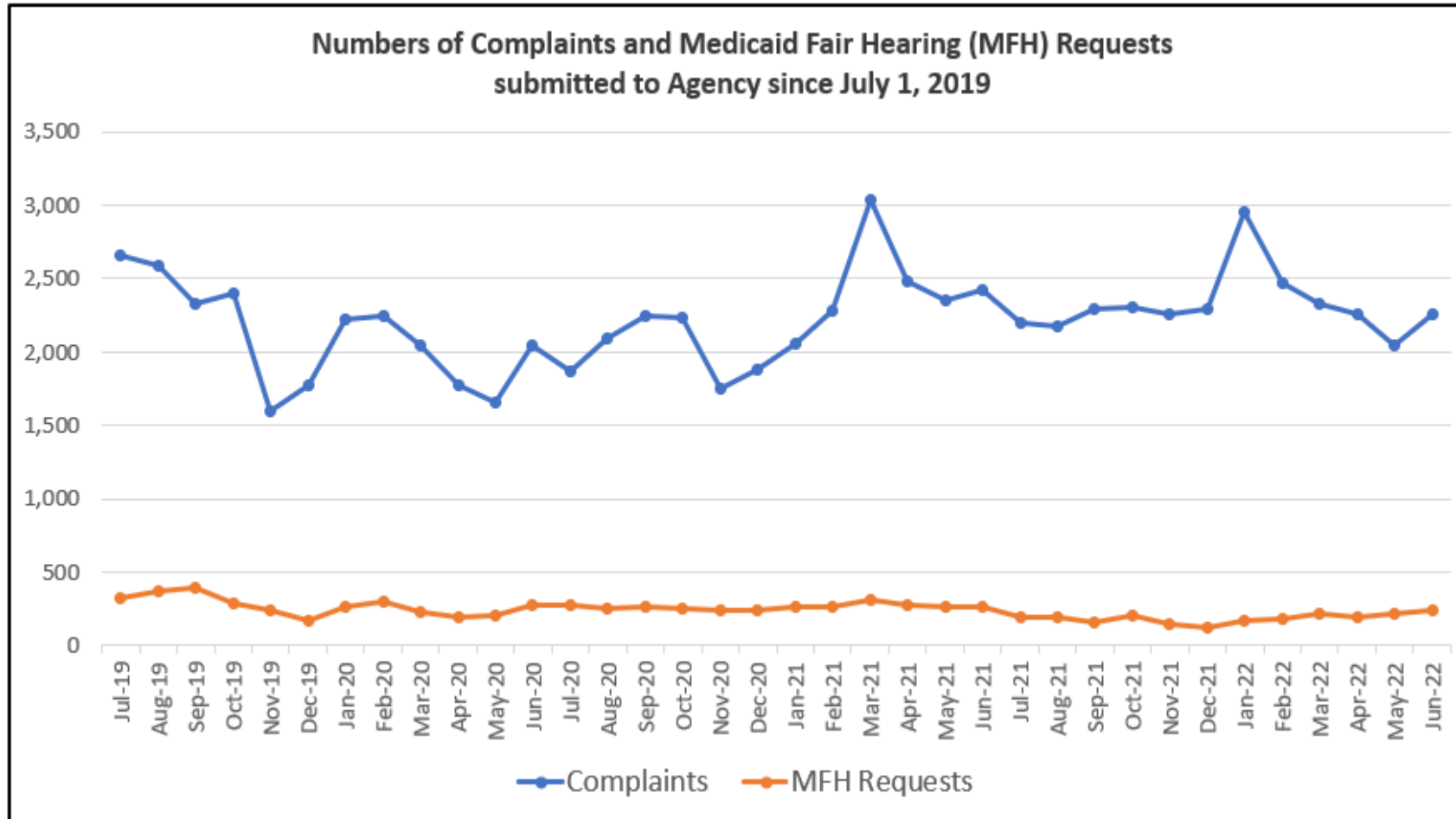
# Complaints & Fair Hearings

- During the PHE, the numbers of complaints and Medicaid Fair Hearing Requests submitted to the Agency have remained steady, despite the rising numbers of Medicaid eligibles. Reasons for this include:
  - Agency has complied with federal mandate to maintain Medicaid eligibility for most recipients through the end of the PHE. This has resulted in fewer complaints from recipients and providers pertaining to loss of coverage.
  - Agency has waived and postponed several program requirements, and offered multiple provider flexibilities during the PHE, to ensure recipients receive necessary care.
- Complaints can be reported by phone at 1-877-254-1055, or online at <http://www.ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/complaints/index.shtml>





# Complaints & Fair Hearings



**Please note** - The Agency encourages all stakeholders to surface any potential issue, concern, or complaint regarding the Medicaid Program to the Medicaid Complaint Operations Center. All allegations and issues are recorded, regardless of whether they are found to be accurate or substantiated.



# 1115 Waiver Amendment Updates

The 1115 Waiver Amendment was approved by CMS on 5/25/22. This amendment approved:

- Extension coverage to 12 months for post partum individuals in Medicaid and CHIP.
  - SB 2526: Health (Conforming Bill) was approved by the Governor on 6/2/22 and extends the postpartum period to 12-months for CHIP recipients.
- Low Income Pool (LIP)
  - Allows for certain non-profit licensed behavioral health providers to be eligible to receive funding from the LIP program and is expected to increase access to behavioral health care in Florida.
  - Allows non-profit licensed behavioral health providers, who participate in the coordinated system of care in counties that have implemented indigent care programs, as qualifying community behavioral health providers eligible to receive LIP funding.



# HCBS Funding Opportunity

- The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) went into effect April 1, 2021.
- Section 9817 of this Act authorized an increased Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) to support Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS).
- There are three one-time funding opportunities currently available:
  - Provider Stipend Payments
  - Provider Retention Payments
  - Delayed Egress



# HCBS Funding Opportunity Statistics

Summary of iBudget Provider Payments Processed as of 7/7/22		
	Stipend	Retention
iBudget	1,292	1,153
Approx. Total Funding of Processed Payments	\$ 208.8 Million	\$ 138.1 Million

Summary of LTC Provider Payments Processed as of 7/7/22		
	Stipend	Retention
LTC	534	533
Approx. Total Funding of Processed Payments	\$ 61.2 Million	\$ 41.9 Million

Summary of <u>Both</u> iBudget & LTC Provider Payments Processed as of 7/7/22		
	Stipend	Retention
Both	45	38
Approx. Total Funding of Processed Payments	\$ 7.8 Million	\$ 5.0 Million

Summary of Delayed Egress Applications* As of 7/7/22	
Received	53
Withdrawn	32
Not Accepted	11
Pending Review	1

*\*Delayed Egress payments have not yet been disseminated*



# Minimum Wage Proviso

- \$1 Billion allocated to cover minimum wage increase to \$15 per hour for direct care workers of Medicaid providers – effective **July 1, 2022**
  - Intermediate Care Facilities (ICFs), for more information on ICF rates visit: [https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/cost\\_reim/icf\\_rates.shtml](https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/cost_reim/icf_rates.shtml)
  - Hospital and Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs) Inpatient and Outpatient Services, for more information on Hospital and ASC rates visit: [https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/cost\\_reim/hospital\\_rates.shtml](https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/cost_reim/hospital_rates.shtml)
- “Florida Medicaid Provider Enhanced Fee Schedules/Minimum Wage” web page coming soon!
  - Frequently Asked Questions page will be included



# SMMC Re-Procurement

- The Agency must re-procure health plans every 6 years through an Invitation to Negotiate (ITN).
- The Agency is currently in its second contract term (2018-2024) and is in the process of procuring health plans for the third contract term (2025-2031).
- The Agency issued a Request for Information (RFI) on 5/6/22 to solicit information regarding the re-procurement. We have received 58 RFI responses from stakeholders during the current re-procurement.
- You can visit the Agency's Re-Procurement website through the following link: [https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/statewide\\_mc/Re-Procure\\_request\\_info.shtml](https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/statewide_mc/Re-Procure_request_info.shtml)



# Subpopulation Committee Update

Brittany Gray, Senior Management Analyst II



# Subpopulation Committee Update

- In addition to the MCAC, the state has established smaller advisory committees that meet on a regular basis (at least quarterly) to focus on the following subpopulations:
  - managed long-term services and supports;
  - beneficiaries with HIV/AIDS;
  - children, including safeguards and performance measures related to foster children;
  - the provision of dental care to all children; and
  - behavioral health/substance use disorder services.
- Kickoff meetings were held in June, 2022.
- Membership appointments are going out soon!





# Subpopulation Committee Participation

1. Behavioral Health
2. Children Including Safeguards & Performance Measures related to Foster Children
3. Dental Care for Children
4. HIV Aids
5. Managed Long-Term Care



- Please email our MCAC liaison Brittany Gray at [Brittany.Gray@ahca.myflorida.com](mailto:Brittany.Gray@ahca.myflorida.com) if you would like to participate in one of these subcommittees.

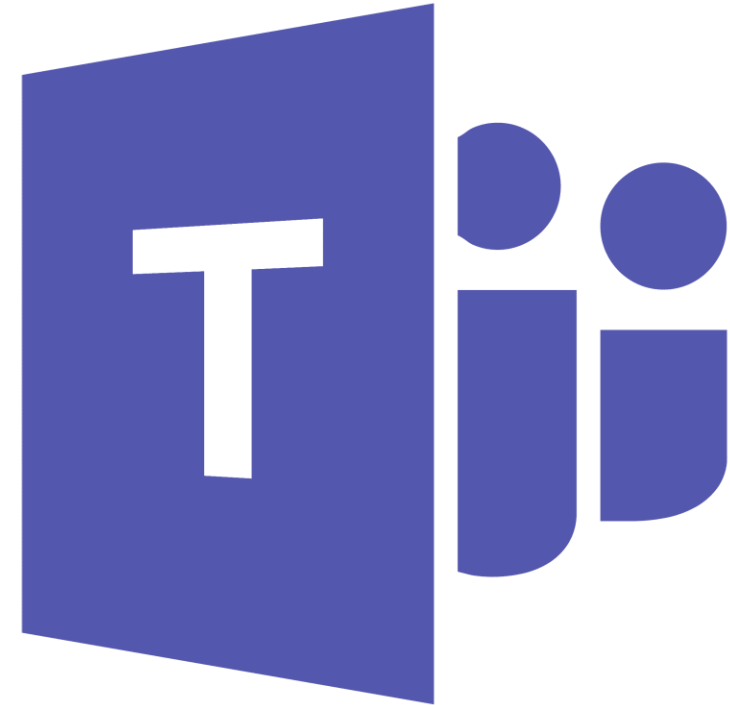
# Public Comment

Brittany Gray, Senior Management Analyst II



# Public Comment

- **MCAC Members and all other attendees** who wish to comment or ask questions should use the “Raise your hand” feature now to be recognized.
- Please lower your hand once your question has been addressed.



# NEXT

- The next meeting will be held in November - date TBA.
- Please send your questions or suggested meeting topics to our MCAC liaison Brittany Gray at [Brittany.Gray@ahca.myflorida.com](mailto:Brittany.Gray@ahca.myflorida.com)



*Thank  
you!*

