Health Innovations for Washington: Medicaid CMMI Request/Waiver Update

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Overview of today’s discussion:

- Brief background
- Overview of E2SSB 5596 /HIW alignment
- Federal engagement process and status
Health Innovation for Washington

...is based on Governor Gregoire’s 5 principles for health care:

• Emphasize evidence-based health care
• Promote prevention, healthy lifestyles and healthy choices
• Better chronic care management
• Create more transparency for clients and providers
• Make better use of information technology
Health Innovation for Washington

...has a goal of bending the cost curve to no more than 4.0 percent annual per capita by 2014

- Per capita health care inflation in Washington held to 2.6 percent last year
- National average of 4.2 percent

while maintaining or improving health outcomes
Health Innovations for Washington

...includes 5 general areas of reform

• Value-Based Benefit and Payment Reforms
• Delivery System Reforms
• Consumer Engagement
• Prevention and Wellness
• Administrative Simplification
WA is asking federal government for:

- Flexibility – to accommodate influx of new Medicaid enrollees in 2014
- Fiscal resources – to support analysis, design and stakeholdering
- Technical assistance

Goal:
To determine federal boundaries by September
Progress is being made through:

Planning opportunities made available by CMS

Alignment of HIW and E2SSB 5596 components
- Cost-sharing – limited, reasonable, enforceable
- Reimbursement innovation
- Ability to adopt Affordable Care Act (ACA) essential benefits
- Streamlined eligibility determination (using MAGI)

Weekly MSTAT meetings with CMS and CMMI

Monthly partnering discussions with Oregon
Stakeholdering is Essential

Planning for two levels of engagement:

• High-level general discussion and policy overview
• Specific engagement on substance through targeted project workgroups

Assistance from CMS doubtful

More details to come