

MINUTES  
MEDICAL SERVICES FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
November 30, 2015

**Members and Alternates Present**

Cindy Beane, Acting Commissioner, BMS  
Mark Drennan, BH Representative

**Members and Alternates attending via phone**

Pat Kelly, Nursing Home Representative  
Carol, Haugen, WV Hospital Association Alternate  
Louise Reese, Primary Care Association  
Thom Stevens, WV Academy of Family Physicians Alternate  
Traci Hendershot, WV Academy Family Physicians  
Larry Robertson, Hospice Representative  
Raul Gupta, Commissioner, Bureau for Public Health  
Barbara Good, WV State Medical Association Alternate

**Bureau for Medical Services Employees Present**

Ryan Sims, General Counsel  
Tony Atkins, Deputy Commissioner, Finance, BMS

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Acting Bureau for Medical Services Commissioner Cindy Beane welcomed everyone to the special meeting, and announced the presentation of the Nursing Home State Plan Amendment (SPA); one of the Bureau's cost saving measures.

**State Plan Amendments**

Ryan Sims presented the Nursing Home State Plan Amendment (SPA). SPA changes reduced nursing home provider rates by \$2.75/bed day effective October 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016. The facility appraisal process was made optional for the October rate review process. Louise Reese called for a motion to accept the Nursing Home SPA. Dr. Gupta seconded the motion. All were in favor. The SPA was approved.

**Public Comment**

No one signed up for Public Comment.

**Meeting adjourned**

Minutes submitted by:

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BMS, Special Projects Director