

Western States Genetic Services Collaborative
University of Washington – Center for Genomics Healthcare Equality
Medicaid and Genetic Services Regional Conference
May 12, 2011. 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM Pacific, Seattle, Washington
Agenda

Conference Purpose

Convene regional Medicaid and genetic services policy experts to identify and address topics related to coverage of genetic services in the western states.

8:30 Welcome – Sylvia Au, MS, CGC, Director, Western States Genetic Services Collaborative and Deb Lochner Doyle, MS, CGC, Program Manager, Genetic Services, Washington State Department of Health

9:00 Current Regional Medicaid Policies for Genetic Services Coverage – Jacquie Stock, MPH, Seattle Center for Children with Special Needs, WSGSC Evaluator. Findings from Reimbursement Work Group Medicaid survey

9:20 Current Policy in Genetic Services Coverage—How do *you* vote? – Deb Lochner Doyle, MS, CGC. Scenarios in genetic services coverage, what's the impact?

10:00 Current Policy in Genetic Services Coverage—Challenges Break into four groups by state – AK/WA, OR/ID, CA, HI/GM, UWCGHE in each group

10:30 Break

10:40 Identify, Prioritize Coverage Challenges—Reconvene - Deb Lochner Doyle. Small groups share observations with larger group, group identifies and prioritizes challenges to address

11:15 Decision Modeling Tools for Genetic Services Coverage – Lou Garrison, Ph.D. and David Veenstra, PharmD, PhD, University of Washington, Pharmacy Department. Using quantitative benefit-risk health outcomes modeling tools to make coverage determinations for genetic services—a case study of warfarin therapy and genetic testing.

11:45 Lunch (provided)

12:30 Decision Modeling Tools for Genetic Services Coverage—How do *you* vote? – Lou Garrison, David Veenstra, and Greg Guzauskas. Discussion and voting on alternative approaches to systematically assessing comparative effectiveness (benefits, harms, and costs) of genetic tests.

1:15 Rethink Genetic Services Coverage—Solutions –Break into small groups, identify and describe approaches to address prioritized policy challenges

2:00 Break

2:15 Rethink Genetic Services Coverage – Deb Lochner Doyle. Small groups share observations with larger group, group identifies and prioritizes solution strategies

3:15-3:30 Conclusion and Adjourn – Sylvia Au