



Office of Addiction and Recovery - Monthly webinar

<https://mn.gov/mmb/oar/>

Hello and introductions

Meeting logistics:

- All attendees, except presenters, will remain muted
- We will work to address all questions during the time allotted.

Agenda

- 11:00 a.m. Hello and introductions
- 11:05 a.m. OAR update
- 11:15 a.m. Overview on state's fraud response
- 11:45 a.m. MN Statewide Health Standards
- 11:55 a.m. Closing

- [Interagency State Substance Use Plan Report](#)
- [February 27th: Recovery Advocacy Workshop](#)
- [March 18th: Recovery Day on The Hill](#)
- Dr. Jonathan Lofgren webinar March 26
 - Recovery in the African American Community; sociocultural perspectives

An overview of Minnesota's fraud response

- John Connolly, Deputy Commissioner - Department of Human Services

CMS Threatens over \$2B in critical health care funding for Minnesota

- **January 6 notification to Minnesota—an unprecedented and extraordinary federal action**
- **The cut is to Medicaid, which serves over 1 million Minnesotans and is the largest single source of health coverage in the state, but as far we can tell will impact the state's bottom line, forcing the state to make incredibly difficult decisions about how to solve for an additional \$2B added to the deficit**
- **This is part of a disproportionate treatment of the state. In total and across issue areas like TANF and child care funding, the administration has received 41 letters with 28 received since just Dec. 1st, an unprecedented number**
 - **15 of these have threatened to withhold funds or issue penalties to Minnesota agencies**
 - **5 lawsuits**
 - **34 demands for data**
 - **11 Congressional inquiries**

[Program integrity] is a collaborative partnership...Until the January 6 letter, CMS had been operating on this supportive basis with state Medicaid agencies in addressing fraud. That letter, for the first time in the 60-year history of the Medicaid program, launched the nuclear option – withholding federal matching funds going forward

- A Georgetown University Professor and former CMS Program Integrity Official

DHS Actions to-date

- **Identifying 14 high-risk services and establishing a program integrity dashboard for the public**
- **Establishing pre-payment review for claims**
- **Auditing autism service providers, including on-site visits**
- **Discontinuing the Housing Stabilization Services benefit**
- **Provider revalidation across the 13 high risk services**
- **Establishing a moratorium on adding new service providers in the remaining 13 high-risk services**

Minnesota's 2.16% Payment Error Rate

- **PERM audit results on January 20 showed Minnesota's error rate is far below the national average for compliance, which is 6.12%**
- **By CMS measures, Minnesota is in compliance with federal requirements**

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- Jennifer Dugan, Director - MDE

Questions on MN Health Standards

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OAR webinar series information

- The next webinar will be on March 25 at 11 a.m.
- Visit <https://mn.gov/mmb/oar/monthly-update/> for:
 - A list of all webinar dates
 - A link to register for the next scheduled session
 - Past presentations

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