

ACMESA RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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North Carolina:

- Rate Floor-ACMESA and AAHomecare worked together to successfully pass legislation requiring MCO's to pay at least 100% of the state Medicaid fee schedule for initial 3 years. \$27 Million Savings annually
- Sales Tax Legislation Passed---\$2 Million savings annually
- Cures Analysis and Advocacy eliminated rate reductions for 4 years. \$4 Million savings annually.
- Managed Care roll out expected by July 1, 2021. MCO tracking and accountability will be key. These are probably an initiative verses an accomplishment
- Any willing provider secured. ACMESA and AAHomecare meeting with NC Medicaid to ensure Medicaid officials understand MCO issues before they occur based on lessons learned in other states.
- BCBS NC rates held stable at 2016 Medicare fee schedule for the 6th year in a row in 2021.
- Senator Joyce Krawiec–Chair Sen Appropriation on Health and Human Services,
- Chair Sen Health Care Committee, Member Finance Committee

Virginia:

- Rate Floor-Legislation passed requiring MCO's to pay at least 90% of the state Medicaid fee schedule. \$10 Million savings annually. (*HB 30, passed effective July 1, 2020 but unallocated due to COVID-19. SB 5015 passed in special session and re-allocates funding effective July 1, 2021.*)
- ACMESA and AAHomecare are meeting with Virginia Medicaid to find solutions around MCO issues including errors with co-payments, not following DMAS policy, and miscellaneous code reimbursement.
- TPA concerns emerging with Magellan. Letter submitted to DMAS outlining concerns.
- Evaluating MCO contracts with DMAS for opportunities to add protective language for DME providers
- Medicaid rate stability legislation introduced SB30 item 304#20S (Sen Ruff) & HB30 item 304#34H (Del Edmunds) – Increase DMAS FFS rates to 100% of Medicare.
- Legislation introduced to Add Medicaid coverage for CRT in nursing facilities SB30 Item 304#10S (Sen Barker) & HB30 Item 304#40H (Del Adams) and separate House Bill HB241 introduced by Del Adams.

West Virginia:

- Continued to maintain and build relationship with Medicaid agency.
- Rates changed to Medicare Rural rates
- Legislation passed by Senator Tom Takubo
 - Physician, Vice Chair Finance, Health & Human Resources, Judiciary, Rules
- MCO's will be under insurance commission oversight
- MCO's cannot recoup beyond 2 years
- Authorization improvements
- 2021-Have introduced additional MCO legislation.

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National Scene Includes Supporting AAHomecare:

- NIV Exempt from Competitive Bidding
- Pause Competitive Bidding during the Public Health Emergency
- Advocacy for front line workers and patient access to care