



HEALTH CARE
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HCA-MAD Clinic Benefit Review Committee
Facilitated by the University of New Mexico's Center for Health Policy

Meeting Minutes

Date: July 15, 2026

Time: 11:00 am

Location: Microsoft Teams

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am.

II. ROLL CALL

A quorum was present (x): Alanna Dancis, Keenan Ryan, Monica Snowden, Miranda Durham, Caroline Bonham, Chris Bartsch

UNM Center for Health Policy facilitators: Margaret Greenwood-Ericksen, Sara Nugent, and Michael Baker

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 2026 minutes were approved by the Committee.

IV. OPEN ISSUES

- None

V. NEW BUSINESS

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitator
11:00-12:00	Benefit review discussion: <i>Reviewed clinical benefit review pathways, roles of CHP, CRBC, and HCA</i>	Sara Nugent

	- Bridge Urinary Tract Infection Detection Resistance Test, Biomarker: <i>Motion to approve CHP recommendation passed</i> - Kerecis Shield: <i>Motion to approve CHP recommendation passed.</i> - Freespira for Digital Cognitive and/or Behavioral Therapy: <i>Motion to approve CHP recommendation passed</i> - Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons and Historical Trauma Behavioral Health Services: <i>Political climate likely not a factor to implementation; poor service definition and scope of code requires more explanation, how is it unique from existing coverage(s). Not enough information available to properly evaluate. Motion to convert to report (Val Tapia, feasibility evaluation, risks, etc.), including in partial hospitalizations, and reevaluate in the future (Jan 2027). Have to HCA in Oct 2026 to review internally, and be ready for Jan 2027 meeting.</i> - Prospera for Kidney, Lung, or Heart Transplant Rejection, Biomarker: <i>Current recommendation not approved. Recommendation for PA for kidney testing to allow for continuity of care with out-of-state transplants, while keeping CHP recommendation for heart and lung.</i> - Pediatric Cranial Remodeling Orthosis: <i>Recommendation to broaden threshold from pediatric neurosurgeon, documentation and language for PA to allow for additional providers</i> Benefit report discussion: - Certified Addiction Recovery Empowerment Specialists - Pediatric Partial Hospitalization Programs	
11:30-11:40	Provider outreach and education strategies discussion	Sara Nugent

12:00-12:07	Closing Remarks	Margaret Greenwood-Ericksen
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VI. ACTION ITEMS

- CHP to send benefit review report summary to HCA.
- CHP to send Benefit Reports to Kennan to review internally (certified addition recovery empowerment specialists, pediatric partial hospitalization programs).

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 pm.