

HEALTH LAW FELLOWSHIP

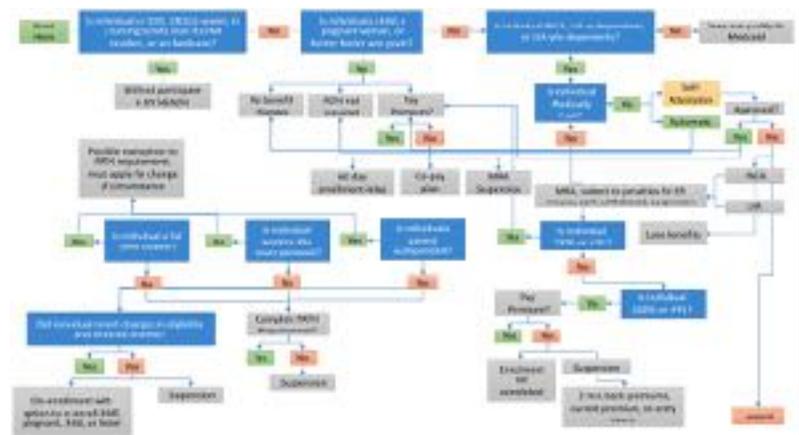
Notices



Post Judge Boasberg’s opinion on July 29th, we have been busy evaluating and otherwise responding and dealing with the “fallout”. The state has made several significant changes and cited to notices that our entire Health Team went out looking for in DCBS offices.

Drug Abuse Prevention & Reentry

Largely due to Medicaid and the work and funding of the MCOs, there is new work statewide on Reentry, as well as prevention side advocacy. I have returned to presentations for orgs & being active on both fronts primarily in NKY, plus of course the FHKY Smoke Free initiative.



Litigation & Drum Beat

Communication, to our clients, to the public, and to the media has been challenging but a high priority. We refer to our measured and disciplined messaging as our "drum beat". The above image is a flow chart of figuring out a consumers eligibility and exemptions for the proposed experiment with 1115 authority. This was the scheme for which the approval was vacated by Judge Boasberg on June 29th. ****Please Read the Opinion****

After around a year of weekly phone calls, I went to Washington DC and met several of our co-counsel for the first time and participated in the mooting of the oral argument & stayed for the oral arguments.





Partners!

Continued near daily partnership with NHeLP, and similar with the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Enrollment

Continued enrollment efforts, year round!

- Enrolled 4 Individuals and Families in Medicaid since the last board meeting
- Updated several of our Waiver lawsuit plaintiffs cases/ application
- Requested hearings for 3 clients with Adverse Medicaid eligibility decisions
- Represented 2 clients in Medicaid hearings, one initial and one appeal

The Media hasn't slowed down with their interest, thankfully.

I have interviewed and connected reporters with affected Kentuckians from the usual subjects, from the Lexington Herald-Leader, Courier Journal, Insider Louisville, New York Times, Washington Post, Truth Out, and several smaller local outlets and some I have unfortunately forgotten the names of...

New Partners

I am a new member of the Annie E Casey Leadership Program through the Georgetown University Center for Children and Families, in combination with statewide team including Emily Beauregard of Kentucky Voices for Health, Dustin Pugel of Kentucky Center for Economic Policy, and Adrienne Bush of Housing and Homeless Coalition of Kentucky.