April 2, 2025 Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Subcommittee Meeting Follow-Up Items

1. Related to the Transportation Workgroup, Janice Meinert asked in chat if the transportation workgroup is open to more CHC participants.

Randy Nolan, Director of the Bureau of Integrated Services, responded that the Transportation Workgroup is currently active and about halfway through their planned engagements. If any participant is interested in joining the workgroup, he asked that they please send their name and email address to him (rnolen@pa.gov) and he will reach out to them.

Related to the Community HealthChoices (CHC) Managed Care
Organizations (MCO) contract, attendee Elizabeth Ratigan asked in chat if the
CHC-MCOs had a price increase with the new contracts starting in 2025.

Dan Sharar, Bureau Director of Finance, responded that, yes, the MCO capitation rates increased for calendar year 2025.

3. Related to House Bill (HB) 1300, Jeff Iseman asked if members of the legislative budget and finance committee were asked for input since they also worked on HR 165, which is a rate study that was done in October 2023. Juliet stated that this would be forwarded to the DHS Office of Legislative affairs with regards to HB 1300.

Legislative Specialist, Andrew Broden, responded that the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee (LBFC) was not asked to provide input into HB 1300, as that is not their typical role in the process. The name "Legislative Budget and Finance Committee" can confuse individuals who are outside of State government. The role of the LBFC is to conduct studies and make recommendations aimed at eliminating unnecessary expenditures; promoting economy in the government of the Commonwealth; and assuring that state funds are being expended in accordance with legislative intent and law. To carry out these mandates, the LBFC is authorized to conduct a wide range of research activities pertaining to the operation and performance of state-funded programs and agencies.