

## Physical Disabilities & Aging Division Meeting

Thursday, February 12, 2026 • 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Webcast Only

### I. Welcome and RCPA Conference

*Richard Edley, PhD, President/CEO, RCPA*

*Melissa Dehoff, Policy Director, Rehabilitation Services Divisions, RCPA*

*Matt Perkins, Co-Chair, Service Coordination Unlimited*

*Elizabeth Piazza, Co-Chair, Ameribest/Team Services*

*Padraig Tangney, Co-Chair, Success Rehabilitation*

*Colleen Stuart, Co-Chair, CEO, Venango Learning and Training Center*

*Fady Sahhar, Policy Director, Physical Disabilities & Aging Division, RCPA; and CEO, ProVantaCare*

### II. Budget, Policy, and Legislative Update

#### A. Budget Update

*Jack Phillips, Policy Director, Government Affairs*

#### B. OIG Guidance, Waiver Amendment, and Other Pending Legislation

*Elizabeth Piazza, Policy Director, Teams Services*

### III. Employment Services in Community HealthChoices

#### A. Brainstorming and Discussion With the MCOs

*Colleen Stuart, CEO, Venango Learning and Training Center*

### IV. CHC-MCO Presentations

#### A. Tualta Caregiver Supports

*Joe Elliott, Director of LTSS, PA Health Wellness*

#### B. Carallel Caregiver Supports

*Frank Santoro, Director LTSS, AmeriHealth Caritas/Keystone First*

#### C. Behavioral Health Coordination

*John McFarland, Director, MCO Integration, Relations & Policy, UPMC*

### V. RCPA Conference Engagement/Topics

*Fady Sahhar, Policy Director, Physical Disabilities & Aging Division, RCPA; and CEO, ProVantaCare*

A. The New MCOs: By the time the conference rolls around, we should know the status of the procurement and launch dates.

B. Duals: The dual eligibles represent 90%+ of the CHC participants. New CMS rules require alignment starting in 2027 and reaching 100% in 2030. This will have a



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- significant impact on providers and their relationship with MCOs (also relevant to IDD and BH).
- C. In Lieu of Services: OLTL is encouraging the development of such models; explaining what they are and how they work will be essential moving forward.
  - D. Other State Models in LTSS
  - E. The Legislative Path Forward for Offsetting the Weakening of the 504 Regulations (also relevant for IDD)

**VI. Open Forum**

**VII. Adjourn**

**Next Meeting: Thursday, May 14, 2026, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, Hybrid**