

**AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor**  
**House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Tuesday, July 6, 2021**  
**1:00 PM**  
**Room A, MAC**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair  
Sen. Scott Flippo, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Bart Hester  
Sen. David Wallace  
Sen. Breanne Davis  
Sen. Kim Hammer  
Sen. Dan Sullivan  
Sen. Ben Gilmore

Rep. Jack Ladyman, Chair  
Rep. Deborah Ferguson, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw  
Rep. Jon S. Eubanks  
Rep. Stephen Magie  
Rep. Jim Dotson  
Rep. Josh Miller  
Rep. John Payton  
Rep. Mary Bentley  
Rep. Michelle Gray

Rep. Justin Gonzales  
Rep. Justin Boyd  
Rep. Fred Allen  
Rep. Bruce Coleman  
Rep. Aaron Pilkington  
Rep. Carlton Wing  
Rep. Clint Penzo  
Rep. Mark Perry  
Rep. Marsh Davis  
Rep. Joe Cloud

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A. Call to Order

B. Comments by the Chairs

1. Representative Jack Ladyman
2. Senator Cecile Bledsoe

C. Consideration to Adopt the June 1, 2021, Meeting Minutes (**EXHIBIT C**)

D. Discussion of the End of the Federal Public Health Emergency and Its Impact on Medicaid including Arkansas Works and Arkansas Health and Opportunity for Me (ARHOME)

1. Dawn Stehle, Deputy Director for Health and State Medicaid Director, Department of Human Services (DHS)
2. Mark White, Chief of Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs and Chief of Staff, DHS
3. Discussion by the Committees

E. Discussion of the Implementation of the New Arkansas Integrated Eligibility System (ARIES) (**EXHIBIT E**)

1. Mark White, Chief of Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs and Chief of Staff, DHS
2. Mary Franklin, Director of the Division of County Operations, DHS
3. Discussion by the Committees

F. Report of Provider-led Arkansas Shared Savings Entities (PASSE) (**EXHIBITS F.1-F.4**)

1. Mark White, Chief of Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs and Chief of Staff, DHS (**EXHIBIT F.1**)
2. Elizabeth Pittman, Director of Division of Medical Services, DHS
3. Mitch Morris, Chief Executive Officer, Empower Healthcare Solutions (**EXHIBIT F.2**)
4. John P. Ryan, President and Chief Executive Officer, Arkansas Total Care (**EXHIBIT F.3**)
5. Jason Miller, Plan President, Summit Community Care (**EXHIBIT F.4**)
6. Jason Bearden, Chief Executive Officer, Care Source (This is a brand new PASSE going through readiness review and will not be operational until the fall.)
7. Discussion and Action by the Committees

**Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at [www.arkleg.state.ar.us](http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us)**

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G. Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services, Review of Rule which replaces technical corrections and updates. Division of Medical Services replaces vendor names and associated business processes in provider manuals with hyperlinks to specific information that can be updated in a timely manner as needed

**(EXHIBIT G)**

1. Mark White, Chief of Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs and Chief of Staff, DHS
2. Elizabeth Pitman, Director of the Division of Medical Services, DHS
3. Discussion and Action by the Committees

H. Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services, Review of Rule which updates the National Place of Service Code to the Pharmacy manual to comply with national standards and ensure pharmacies are billing with consistency **(EXHIBIT H)**

1. Mark White, Chief of Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs and Chief of Staff, DHS
2. Elizabeth Pitman, Director of the Division of Medical Services, DHS
3. Discussion and Action by the Committees

I. Other Business

J. Adjournment