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Agency of Human Services
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Medicaid Access to Care Plan

Policy Summary:

The Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) is posting its draft Access to Care Plan for public comment. The report defines Vermont Medicaid's standards for access to care to certain categories of providers, such as primary care, hospitals, and various specialty services. DVHA has defined its access to care thresholds and provides actual data on Medicaid recipients' access to care for calendar year 2015. The report has a summary of this data (travel time and distance to services) on a statewide basis as well as a county breakdown. A link to the report is available below.

Effective Date:

The final report be posted to the DVHA website in October 2016 and will be updated every three years.

Authority/Legal Basis:

Medicaid managed care regulations at 42 CFR § 438.
Medicaid access to care regulations at 42 CFR § 447.203.

Population Affected:

All Medicaid.

Fiscal Impact:

No fiscal impact.

Public Comment Period:

8/31/16 – 9/30/16

Send comments to:

AHS Medicaid Policy Unit
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Or submit via e-mail to AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov.

There is no public meeting scheduled at this time. If one should be scheduled, that information can be found at: <http://dvha.vermont.gov/> either through the calendar or listed under upcoming events. Comments received will be posted to the DVHA website by October 14, 2016.

Additional information:

The DVHA Access to Care Plan is available here: <http://dvha.vermont.gov/global-commitment-to-health/draft-access-report-for-gcr.pdf>.