



Ohio Health Transformation Update August 17, 2012

Judge dismisses Aetna's lawsuit challenging Medicaid contract awards
Yesterday Franklin County Common Pleas Court Judge Robert Sheward dismissed Aetna's lawsuit challenging recent Medicaid managed care contract awards. Judge Sheward said he "did not find that the state abused its discretion at all" and called Aetna's case "unbelievable." The Court's decision clears the way for Ohio to implement Medicaid managed care reforms that will improve care while increasing value for Ohio's taxpayers.

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[Associated Press](#)

[Dismissal Order Transcript](#)

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USA Today features Ohio's nursing home performance incentive program
As a result of Governor Kasich's first budget, almost ten percent of the Medicaid payments to nursing homes in Ohio will depend on factors including residents' satisfaction, rates of medical complications and the number of nurses on staff.

[USA Today](#)

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Work gets underway to create a cabinet-level Medicaid department
On July 27, OHT announced plans to transform Ohio Medicaid from a division of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services into a state agency effective July 1, 2014. The change of Medicaid to department status is the next step in a series of Kasich Administration reforms to improve the performance of Ohio's Medicaid program.

Columbus Dispatch [editorial](#) and [article](#)

Cleveland Plain Dealer [editorial](#) and [article](#)

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OHT releases detailed estimates of Medicaid enrollment

Today OHT released a comparison of estimated Medicaid enrollment resulting from the federal Affordable Care Act. The comparison describes differences in estimates over time, and provides detail on the assumptions made by the State's actuaries in calculating the estimates.

[Comparison of Medicaid enrollment estimates](#)

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