

# MMA POLICY COUNCIL: 2018 DRAFT WORK PLAN

## Potential Issues

- **MinnesotaCare Buy-In**
  - At the November 18, 2017 meeting of the MMA Board of Trustees, the following policy was adopted:
    - “In order to add stability and provide affordable options in the individual insurance market, the MMA will support inclusion of MinnesotaCare as a product offering if structured as follows: 1) available as an option to those without access to affordable coverage; 2) available as an option in counties with one or fewer products; 3) minimum payment rates are set at no less than Medicare levels; and, 4) premiums cover the full cost of enrollment in the program.”
  - Assess whether a disproportionate share type financing mechanism should be considered.
- **Mental Health**
  - At the November 18, 2017 meeting of MMA Board of Trustees, mental health was raised as an issue of interest, but no action was taken. Is this an issue that the Policy Council would like to address, and if so, what would be a potential focus area?
- **Electronic Health Records (EHR)**
  - What role can the MMA play in ensuring that EHR systems work for physicians and their patients?
- **Single Payer System**
  - What policies should the MMA have in place to assist with future conversations regarding what a feasible single payer system could look like?
- **Other Ideas?**

## Other Work

- Council self-assessment (for 2018 HOD)

## Meetings

- Tuesday, March 6, 6-8 pm at MMA
- Wednesday, May 2, 6-8 pm at MMA
- Monday, August 27, 6-8 pm at MMA
- Thursday, October 25, 6-8 pm at MMA

## MMA Annual Conference

- Friday, September 21- Saturday, September 22, St. Paul
  - 1-2 policy forums
  - Open Issues Forum