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Subject: RE: Another Request for Information for the Genome-editing Technology Advisory Panel

This message originates from outside the Maine Legislature.

Hi Rachel –

No problem. Here you go:

1. Does MaineCare cover the cost of enrolling a patient in an out-of-state clinical trial? And, if so, under what circumstances?
 - a. **MaineCare does not cover the cost of enrolling a patient in an out-of-state clinical trial. However, MaineCare does cover routine patient costs associated with those trials.**
2. Does MaineCare cover the cost of genetic testing? If so, under what circumstances?
 - a. **MaineCare does cover some genetic testing that is deemed medically necessary and approved through a prior authorization process.**
3. Does MaineCare cover services/consultation with a genetic counselor in Maine? If not, would adoption of a mandatory licensing program or voluntary registration program (that checks eligibility requirements) make any difference as to whether MaineCare covers genetic counselor services?
 - a. **MaineCare does not currently have a mechanism for enrolling and reimbursing genetic counselors. In general, validation and/or credentials for services makes it more likely that it is possible to cover services through Medicaid.**

Let me know if you have any additional questions. Thanks!

Take care,
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