



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR NANCY WYMAN

Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange
Board of Directors Special Meeting

Legislative Office Building
Room 1B
Hartford, CT

Tuesday, May 10, 2016
Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman (Chair); Victoria Veltri, Vice-Chair, Office of Healthcare Advocate (OHA); Secretary Benjamin Barnes, Office of Policy and Management (OPM); Commissioner Miriam Delphin-Rittmon, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS); Paul Lombardo, Designee for Commissioner Katharine Wade, Connecticut Insurance Department (CID); Robert Tessier

Members Participating via Telephone: Commissioner Roderick Bremby, Department of Social Services (DSS); Robert Scalettar, MD; Maura Carley; Paul Philpott; Grant Ritter

Members Absent: Cecelia Woods; Commissioner Raul Pino, Department of Public Health

Other Participants:

Access Health CT (AHCT) Staff: Susan Rich-Bye

Other Participants via Telephone:

Access Health CT (AHCT) Staff: James Wadleigh; Shan Jeffreys; Julia Andrews, Wakely Consulting Group

The Meeting of the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange Board of Directors was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

Lt. Governor Wyman called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment

None

III. Presentation

Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman introduced Shan Jeffreys, Director of Marketplace Strategies. Mr. Jeffreys provided background on the proposed Revised 2017 Individual Market Bronze HSA Standard Plan Design and Revised 2017 SHOP Market Bronze HSA Standard Plan Design. Mr. Jeffreys indicated that after the Board's approval, the updated summaries will be sent to the carriers. The adoption of revised plan designs is required due to a recent the IRS ruling pertaining to the HSA funding component of the minimum deductible and the maximum out of pocket (MOOP) amounts.

Mr. Jeffreys introduced Julia Andrews of the Wakely Consulting Group. Ms. Andrews summarized the proposed changes to the plan designs necessitated by a recent IRS ruling. The Federal High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) minimum deductible and maximum out of pocket (MOOP) limits (IRS RP-2016-28) have now been released for 2017. The 2017 limits will remain unchanged from the 2016 limits. The limits for the minimum single deductible and MOOP are \$1,300 and \$6,550, respectively. The final limits necessitate plan design changes to ensure the plans remain compliant HDHP for HSAs.

Ms. Andrews provided a summary of the actuarial value and proposed changes. The proposed change for the Individual Bronze HSA plan is to decrease the MOOP from \$6,600 to \$6,550, and increase the deductible from \$5,650 to \$5,685 to comply with the IRS ruling and have an actuarial value is within the allowed range for a bronze plan. For the SHOP Bronze HSA plan, the proposed change is to decrease the MOOP from \$6,600 to \$6,550 to be in compliance with the IRS ruling and remain in the allowed range for a bronze plan.

IV. Vote:

Lt. Governor Wyman requested a motion to approve the revised 2017 Standardized Plan Designs for the Bronze HSA Plan for both SHOP and Individual plans as proposed by Exchange Staff.

The motion was made by Robert Tessier and seconded by Victoria Veltri. ***Motion passed unanimously.***

V. Adjournment

Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Robert Tessier and seconded by Victoria Veltri. ***Motion passed unanimously.*** Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.