

**State and School Employees' Life and Health Insurance Plan
Health Insurance Management Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
April 24, 2013**

The regular monthly meeting of the State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board convened on Wednesday, April 24, 2013, in Room 139 in the Woolfolk Building located at 501 North West Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 9:00 a.m. The presiding officer was Mr. Kevin J. Upchurch, Chairman of the Board. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Voting

Mr. Kevin Upchurch
Dr. Eric Clark
Mr. Mike Chaney
Mr. Larry Fortenberry
Ms. Pat Robertson *(via conference call)*
Mr. Liles Williams

Non-Voting

The Honorable Herb Frierson

Members Absent:

Ms. DeAnne Mosley
Dr. Lynn House *(Represented by Ms. Gracie Sanders)*
Dr. Hank Bounds
Mr. Christopher Burkhalter

The Honorable Videt Carmichael
The Honorable Gary Chism
The Honorable Eugene Clarke

Department of Finance and Administration Staff Present:

Ms. Rita Wray
Mr. Richard Self
Ms. Cindy Bradshaw
Ms. Cheryl Turner
Ms. Edie Ivey
Mr. Steve May
Ms. Stacie Sheriff
Ms. Ashley Harrell
Ms. Susan Lancaster

Attorney General's Office Staff Present:

Ms. Romaine Richards, Esquire

Call to Order

The meeting was chaired and called to order by Mr. Kevin J. Upchurch, Chairman of the Board. Chairman Upchurch recognized Ms. Gracie Sanders, Director of Budget and Planning with the Mississippi Department of Education, who opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Upchurch advised that those items requiring action by the Board would be considered once a quorum was present. Ms. Pat Robertson joined the meeting via conference call at 9:25 a.m. and her participation ended at approximately 9:50 a.m.

Financial Statements

Chairman Upchurch recognized Mr. Steve May, Director of Accounting and Analysis with the Office of Insurance, who briefly reviewed the financial statements for the State and School Employees' Life and Health Insurance Plan for the month of March 2013. Copies of the financial statements were provided to Board members for their review prior to the meeting.

General Schedule

Chairman Upchurch recognized Mr. Richard Self, State Insurance Administrator with the Office of Insurance, who reviewed the schedule of major activities and actions to be taken by the Board for the next several months.

Wellness Benefits

Chairman Upchurch advised the Board that the current contract with WebMD Health Services, Group, Inc. for wellness and health promotion services will expire on December 31, 2013. After a lengthy discussion of the Plans' current wellness benefits as well as potential wellness benefits, Chairman Upchurch advised that a subcommittee should be established to study potential changes that may need to be made to enhance the program's effectiveness for improving the health and wellness of the Plans' participants. Chairman Upchurch noted that the resulting recommendations of the subcommittee would be presented to the Board for appropriate action, including any necessary procurement processes. Board members unanimously agreed that a vote was not required at this time.

Chairman Upchurch recognized Representative Herb Frierson, Chairman, House Appropriations Committee, who asked if goals had been established as well as performance data to track whether or not there have been a cost savings to the Plan. Mr. Self advised that there were programs put in place to track information to determine which one the programs have proven to be effective as well as those that have not been as successful to determine which programs need to be ramped up and which ones need to be changed. Mr. Self stated that they have been working with the Plan's actuary, consultant as well as vendors. Mr. Self stated that the medical trend reflects that there have been some benefits in having a wellness program.

Chairman Upchurch announced the following subcommittee appointments to review the current and potential wellness benefits as well as any modifications that may be needed to the current wellness vendor's contract:

Dr. Lynn House
Dr. Eric Clark
Mr. Larry Fortenberry

Church Upchurch advised that Dr. Hank Bounds and Ms. DeAnne Mosley will also be asked to serve on this subcommittee.

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 27, 2013

The minutes of the Board's regular monthly meeting of March 27, 2013, were provided to all Board members for their review prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Pat Robertson to approve the minutes as presented. Dr. Eric Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 5 – 0 vote, with members Chaney, Clark, Fortenberry, Robertson and Williams voting affirmatively.

Requests for Proposals for Claims and Performance Review Services

Chairman Upchurch recognized Ms. Cindy Bradshaw, Deputy Director with the Office of Insurance, who advised the Board that the current contract with Claim Technologies, Inc. (CTI) for claims and performance review services will expire on December 31, 2013. Ms. Bradshaw advised that staff recommends that the Board issue a request for proposals for claims and performance review services and to establish a subcommittee for the procurement process.

A motion was made by Mr. Larry Fortenberry that the Board issue a request for proposals for claims and performance review services. Mr. Mike Chaney seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 5 – 0 vote, with members Chaney, Clark, Fortenberry, Robertson and Williams voting affirmatively.

Chairman Upchurch announced the following subcommittee appointments for the claims and performance review services procurement process:

Ms. Pat Robertson
Dr. Eric Clark
Mr. Mike Chaney

Old Business

Chairman Upchurch reminded the Board that during last month's meeting Dr. Eric Clark had requested that the Board table a request that had been made by the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) to share non-identifiable Plan claims data until an official Attorney General's opinion could be obtained. Chairman Upchurch briefly reviewed UMMC's request

and reported that discussions were held regarding the fact that UMMC was not only the state-owned teaching hospital and medical school; but was also a member of the Plan's provider network and competitor of other network hospitals. Chairman Upchurch also reported that several Board members expressed concerns over the increased risk of HIPAA violations resulting from potential inadvertent disclosure of protected health information, as well as the propriety and possible legal ramifications of providing Plan data to UMMC, but not to other non-State hospitals.

Chairman Upchurch reported that UMMC's letter had been forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for an official Attorney General's opinion. Chairman Upchurch advised that he hoped to bring the information back to the Board at the next meeting.


New Business

Chairman Upchurch recognized Mr. Mike Chaney, Commissioner of Insurance, who advised that House Bill 777, relative to Pharmacy Benefit Managers, had been signed by the Governor and would become effective July 1, 2013. Mr. Chaney questioned whether it would have any impact on the Plan relative to drug costs. Mr. Self reported that this law should not have any impact on the costs to the Plan. Mr. Self noted that House Bill 301, relative to Prior Authorizations, had also been signed by the Governor and would become effective July 1, 2013. Mr. Self advised that, although the Plan had been excluded from the language, because it applies to Third Party Claims Administrators as well as other entities in the state, there may be an impact as to how the Plan operates but not to its costs.

Adjournment

Chairman Upchurch announced that the next regular meeting of the State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., May 22, 2013, in Room 139, located at the Woolfolk Building.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.



Kevin J. Upchurch
Chairman
State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board