

State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board

Standing Monthly Meeting April 26, 2017

Minutes

The standing monthly meeting of the State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board convened on Wednesday, April 26, 2017, 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 Ms. Laura D. Jackson, Chairman of the Board. A quorum was present.

Voting Members Present

Ms. Laura D. Jackson, Chairman
Mr. Christopher Burkhalter, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Mike Chaney *(Represented by Mr. Bob Williams)*
Mr. Mark Formby
Mr. Kelly Hardwick
Dr. Andrea Mayfield *(via telephone)*

Non-Voting Members Present

The Honorable Videt Carmichael
- Chairman, Senate Insurance Committee

Voting Members Absent

Dr. Glenn Boyce *(Represented by Ms. Susan Erickson)*
Mr. Larry Fortenberry
Ms. Pat Robertson
Dr. Carey Wright *(Represented by Ms. Gracie Sanders)*

Non-Voting Members Absent

The Honorable Gary Chism
- Chairman, House Insurance Committee
The Honorable Eugene Clarke
- Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee
The Honorable John Read
- Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

Department of Finance and Administration Staff Present:

Mr. Richard Self
Ms. Cindy Bradshaw
Mr. Steve May
Ms. Amanda Murphy
Ms. Terri Ashley
Ms. Julia Bryan
Mr. Rick Fava
Mr. Chris Shaman

Attorney General's Office Staff Present:

Ms. Romaine Richards, Esquire

Call to Order

The meeting was chaired and called to order by Ms. Laura D. Jackson, Chairman of the Board. Ms. Jackson welcomed the Board's newest member, Mr. Mark Formby, who was recently appointed by Governor Phil Bryant to serve as the new Chairman of the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission.

Agenda Item 1: Minutes of the March 22, 2017 Standing Monthly Board Meeting

Chairman Jackson announced that the minutes of the Board's March 22, 2017 standing monthly meeting had been provided to all Board members for their review in advance of today's meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Chris Burkhalter to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Kelly Hardwick seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 6 – 0 vote, with members Burkhalter, Formby, Hardwick, Jackson, Mayfield, and Williams (designee for Member Chaney) voting affirmatively.

Agenda Item 2: Request for Proposals for Consulting Services

Chairman Jackson recognized Mr. Richard Self, State Insurance Administrator with the Office of Insurance, who advised that the consulting services contract with PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) will expire on September 30, 2017. Mr. Self reminded the Board they had voted at the January 25, 2017 meeting to exercise the one-year renewal option in the contract to extend the agreement through September 30, 2018. He further advised the Board that negotiations to execute the renewal amendment with PwC were unsuccessful and, as a result, staff will need to initiate the procurement process in order to secure a vendor to provide these services upon the September 30, 2017 expiration of the current contract. A motion was made by Mr. Hardwick to approve the issuance of a Request for Proposals for consulting services. Dr. Andrea Mayfield seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 6 – 0 vote, with members Burkhalter, Formby, Hardwick, Jackson, Mayfield, and Williams voting affirmatively. Chairman Jackson appointed Mr. Mike Chaney, Mr. Larry Fortenberry, and Dr. Andrea Mayfield to serve on the subcommittee for the consulting services procurement process.

Agenda Item 3: 2016 Medical Claims and Performance Review

Chairman Jackson recognized Ms. Michelle Suckow, Senior Consultant with Claim Technologies, Inc. (CTI), to present the results of CTI's recently completed review of Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi's (BCBSMS) calendar year 2016 performance as the third party medical claims administrator for the State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan. A copy of CTI's report entitled "*Comprehensive Claim Administration Audit, Claims and Performance Review Report*", as well as BCBSMS's response to the report, was distributed to Board members prior to the meeting. Ms. Suckow provided Board members with a summary overview document entitled "*Claims and Performance Review, Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi*", and discussed the review process and the key results. She advised the Board that BCBSMS posted high levels of administrative performance and had met or exceeded all contractual performance standards. No further action was needed or taken by the Board.

Agenda Item 4: 2016 Prescription Drug Claims and Performance Review Report

Chairman Jackson recognized Mr. Greg Rucinski, President of TRICAST, to present the results of TRICAST's recently completed review of Prime Therapeutic, LLC's (Prime) calendar year 2016 performance as the pharmacy benefit manager for the State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan. A copy of TRICAST's report entitled "*Prescription Benefit Management Audit - Specific Findings Report*" was distributed to Board members prior to the meeting. Mr. Rucinski provided Board members with a summary overview document entitled, "*Prescription Benefit Management Audit, Executive Summary*", and discussed the review process and the key results. He noted that Prime had met or exceeded all contractual performance standards, and had performed very well based on the audit objectives. A copy of Prime's response to the report was provided to the Board members during the meeting. No further action was needed or taken by the Board.

Agenda Item 5: Financial Statements

Chairman Jackson recognized Mr. Steve May, Director of Budget and Accounting 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 2017. Copies of the financial statements were provided to Board members for their review prior to the meeting.

Agenda Item 6: General Schedule

Chairman Jackson recognized Ms. Cindy Bradshaw, Deputy Director of the Office of Insurance, who reviewed the schedule of major activities and actions to be taken by the Board for the next several months. Ms. Bradshaw reminded Board members of the upcoming Board retreat scheduled for July.

Agenda Item 7: Old Business

There was no old business for the Board to consider.

Agenda Item 8: New Business

Chairman Jackson recognized Mr. Bob Williams (designee for Member Chaney) who shared that Commissioner Mike Chaney has requested that the Board include in its evaluation of potential benefit changes consideration of the use of prescription drugs to aid in the treatment of obesity, particularly with diabetic participants. Richard Self confirmed that consideration of coverage for non-surgical treatment of obesity, including but not limited to prescription drugs, was among the potential benefit changes currently being evaluated.

Adjournment

Chairman Jackson announced that the next regular meeting of the State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., May 24, 2017, in Room 139, located at the Woolfolk Building.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m.



Laura D. Jackson
Chairman
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