



BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 19, 2017

BOARD MEMBERS

Angela Burke Boston
Jim Donoghue
Eric Kohlsdorf
Dr. Bob Russell
Dr. Jonathan Crosbie
Dr. Bob Russell
Dr. Kaaren Vargas

EX-OFFICIO LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS

Representative John Forbes (absent)
Senator Nate Boulton
Representative Shannon Lundgren
Senator Dennis Guth (absent)

Staff

Mikki Stier
Debbie Johnson
Anna Ruggle

Liz Matney
Matt Highland
Sabrina Johnson
Dr. David Smith
Nick Peters

Guests

Jess Benson, Legislative Services Agency
Sandy Hurtado-Peters, Department of Management
Joe Estes, Maximus
Natalie Koerber, Amerigroup
Chaney Yeast, Blank Children's Hospital
Gretchen Hageman, Delta Dental of Iowa
Kris Bell, Senate Democratic Caucus
Kelly Pennington, Amerigroup
Jean Johnson, Department of Public Health-Outreach
Meaghan Harris, Amerihealth
Nancy Lind, United Healthcare of the Midlands

CALL TO ORDER

Eric Kohlsdorf called the meeting to order at 12:29 p.m.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was not available.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Kohlsdorf asked the board for approval to suspend the agenda as written, anticipating that Dr. Crosbie will be joining the meeting to establish a quorum. Motion to suspend agenda as published made by Angela Burke Boston, second Jim Donoghue. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Mikki Stier called attention to the enrollment statistics. She pointed out the fluctuation in county-by-count y numbers and reported that monthly numbers are steady. Stier also reported that the budget numbers are on target for the fiscal year.

Director Stier introduced Liz Matney who will present the most recent MCO (managed Care Organization) Quarterly Report.

REVIEW OF MCO QUARTERLY REPORT

Matney shared that the most recent Quarterly Report had just been approved for publication this morning. The report will be posted to the DHS website today.

Matney reported that there are currently over 242,000 MCO members who have completed health risk assessments. Because of the completion of the assessments, Care Coordination efforts have increased due to the completion of the assessments.

Other updates included:

A third party external quality review coordinator has been hired. This group is federally required by the IME partnership with CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid). The vendor is HSAG and last fall reviewed the MCOs. Results of the first review will be published in July.

An informational letter will soon be published highlighting comments from stakeholders about the EVV (Electronic Visit Verification). Information is to be collected about what comments providers may have concerning implementation of the EVV. The EVV is a system that allows caregivers to use a personal digital device to track the time spent with those they are caring for.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Kohlsdorf introduced the newly appointed Board member as Dr. Kaaren Vargas. Senator Dennis Guth and Representative Shannon Lundgren are new legislative ex-officio members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

With a quorum available. Motion made by Angela Burke Boston to accept the minutes of April 17, 2017 meeting, seconded by Jim Donoghue. Corrections made to minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

hawk-i CLINICAL ADVISORY REPORT

The *hawk-i* Clinical Advisory Committee will meet on April 20, and will discuss quality measures. A report on this committee activity will occur at the June 2017 meeting.

COMMUNICATION UPDATES

Matt Highland reported on the communications standardization project. Project involves standardization of printed materials from the MCOs. Printed material will include a glossary of terms and a simplified reading level in the text. All MCO handbooks will be in the same format for the ease of members.

The standardization of the provider directories will be the next step in the project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chaney Yeast, Blank Children's Hospital, discussed problems with exceptions to policy requests for psychiatric drugs. She questioned exactly how to handle the issue. Liz Matney suggested problems with preferred drug lists (PDL) and approval for these drugs, could be sent to Director Stier's attention.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Kohlsdorf reminded the Board that there have been new appointments to the board, and, after members are confirmed by the Senate, new officers for the hawk-I Board will need to be elected. Kohlsdorf asked Angela Burke Boston, Jim Donoghue and Jonathan Crosbie to serve on the nominating committee. A committee report will be made at the June meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be June 19, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

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Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Nick Peters, Recorder of Minutes