

Board Advisory Group Meeting Minutes
Connect for Health Colorado Meeting Room
East Tower, Suite 1025
3773 Cherry Creek N Dr., Denver, CO 80209
September 28, 2016
3:00 PM – 5:10 PM

Advisory Group Members Present: Devin Kepler, Kristen Pieper, Erin Miller, Brad Niederman, Jane Barnes, Adam Brown, Charlie Sheffield, Debra Judy, Jo Hubchik, John Barela, and James Regan

Advisory Group Members Joining via Phone: Mindy Klowden, Kevin O'Connor, Merida Odiorne, Donna Wehe, Stacey Wright, Cindy Watson, Bethany Pray, and Mary Kirby

Advisory Group Members Absent: Meagan Fearing

Board Members Present: Sharon O'Hara

I. Welcome and Introductions

Co-chairs Jo Hubchik and Jane Barnes called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m., welcoming those in attendance. The August Board Advisory Group minutes were approved.

II. Connect for Health Colorado Updates

Kate Harris provided updates on the Board Policy Committee meeting, Open Enrollment Preparation, and outreach plans targeting the eligible but not enrolled population.

III. Draft Charter Review

The group reviewed and made two edits to the draft charter, then approved the charter as amended.

IV. Review Second Draft of Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)

The group reviewed the second draft of the SOP and made the following recommendations:

- Differentiate proxy rules between singular and extended absences
- Add language regarding serving multiple term limits
- Add a section for how the group will vote, write report-out, and report to the board

Action Item

Staff liaisons will work with co-chairs to make recommended changes to the SOP.

V. Special Enrollment Period (SEP) Discussion

Jo Hubchik introduced and led the discussion on the topic of SEP verifications and how there is a national discussion around whether the Federally Facilitated and State Based Marketplaces should verify SEPs beyond accepting attestation through the Marketplace.

- Charlie Sheffield presented data on SEP population trends.

- Adam Brown presented data specific to Anthem regarding SEP utilization and verifications.
- Some members expressed concern that requiring additional verification from enrollees would be burdensome on potential enrollees and decrease overall enrollment for eligible individuals.
- The group asked for more data and background on this topic before deciding on how to recommend to the Board how the Marketplace should handle SEP verifications.

Action Items

Mr. Sheffield will send the data that he has as well as previous CMS Bulletins regarding SEP verifications to the group.

Members will send information that they have on this topic to the co-chairs prior to the next meeting. Members will send items they want included in the next meeting's materials to the co-chairs and staff liason(s).

SEP Verification will be placed on the October meeting agenda.

VI. Public Comment

The following people gave public comment.

Christina Postolowski with Young Invincibles commented that there are not enough young people that know about their SEP options and that creating a verification process can exacerbate this issue and further affect the risk pool. Ms. Postolowski also commented that any data on this topic would be helpful to their organization.

A Kaiser Permanente representative commented that Kaiser data shows that SEP enrollees are younger than OE enrollees.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Next Meeting

October 26, 2016 from 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm