

Policy & Operations Committee Minutes
April 24, 2022
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Board Members Present: Mara Baer, Christy Blakely, and Allison Neswood

Staff Present: Justin Brandon, Brian Braun, Jessalyn Hampton, Ilana Rivera, Alan Schmitz, and Nina Schwartz

I. Welcome & Introductions

Allison Neswood called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m., welcoming everyone in attendance. The January and February Policy & Operations minutes were reviewed and approved.

II. Partner Updates

DOI

Staff from the Division of Insurance (DOI) provided the Committee with a Legislative & Regulatory Update:

- Regulation 4-2-43, Enrollment periods relating to individual and group health benefits, has been adopted and will be effective June 1, 2023
- There will be a rulemaking hearing on May 2, 2023, for the following draft proposed rules:
 - 4-2-53, Network adequacy standard and reporting requirements for ACA-Compliant Health Benefit Plans
 - 4-2-54, Network access plan standards and reporting requirements for ACA-Compliant Health Benefit Plans
- There will be a rulemaking hearing on May 16, 2023, for the following draft proposed rules:
 - 4-2-55, Standards and reporting requirements for ACA-Compliant Health Benefit Plan provider directories
 - 4-2-57, Network adequacy standards and reporting requirements for ACA-Compliant stand-alone dental managed care plans
- Notice of rulemaking hearings & proposed regulations can be found here
- HB23-1224, Standardized Health Benefit Plan, has passed the Senate this morning and will go back to the House for concurrence
- HB1303, Concerning protections in the event of an insurance company failure, will be in Committee tomorrow
- Information on Colorado Option Public Hearings can be found here

HCPF

The Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (HCPF) provided the Committee with

a 2023 Legislative Agenda Overview.

III. Legislative Session

Clarification of C4HCO's Bill Policy

The Committee reviewed a proposed amendment for the Connect for Health Colorado Board Legislative approach.

The proposed amendment was accepted by the Committee and will be moved to the Board for approval.

Legislative Update

The language in the amended bill, HB23-1224, was substituted with "(b) The Exchange, in collaboration with the Commissioner, and after stakeholder engagement process with consumers, producers, and carriers, shall develop a format for displaying the standardized plans on the Exchange in a manner that allows for standardized plans to be easily identified and compared."

IV. Operational Updates

Customer Service Update

The draft 2024 budget was presented earlier this morning to the Executive & Finance Committee, accepted, and will move to the Board for approval.

Staffing levels will ramp up for Open Enrollment 11 to account for increased volume due to the public health emergency (PHE) and any attrition.

V. Public Comment

Written public comment given by Daniela Gosselova

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Neswood
Committee Chair