

KENTUCKY HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE ADVISORY BOARD

QUALIFIED HEALTH PLANS SUBCOMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

May 23, 2013

Call to Order and Roll Call

The ninth meeting of the Qualified Health Plans Subcommittee was held on Thursday, May 23, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. in the Small Conference Room at the Office of the Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange. Deborah Moessner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m., and the Secretary called the roll.

Subcommittee Members Present: Deborah Moessner, Chair; Jill Bell, Jeffrey Bringardner (by phone), Ruth Brinkley, Julia Costich, Dr. Joe Ellis, Carl Felix, Nancy Galvagni, Donna Ghobadi, Dr. Michael Huang (by phone), Dr. Amanda Howell (by phone), Bob McFalls, William North, Ramona Osborne, and Joe Smith (by phone). Greg Baker, Shelley Gast, Mike Minor, and Dr. Andrew Slavik were not present at the meeting.

Staff Present: Carrie Banahan, Miriam Fordham, Bill Nold, Brenda Parker, Vanessa Petrey, Sherilyn Redmon, Melea Rivera, Chandra Venettozzi, and Maggie Woods (DOI).

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the April 25, 2013, meeting as submitted, seconded, and approved by voice vote.

Update on Exchange Approval Activities

Bill Nold, Deputy Executive Director, Office of the Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange (KHBE), provided an update on the Exchange activities. Mr. Nold reported that the KHBE is in planning discussions with the vendor, Xerox, for the opening of the Exchange contact center on August 15. Governor Beshear announced that Kentucky will expand its Medicaid program as allowed under the Affordable Care Act. It is estimated that the Medicaid expansion will provide coverage to more than 300,000 Kentuckians. The branding and marketing campaign, “kynect: Kentucky’s Healthcare Connection” for the Exchange was launched last week. Staff from KHBE attended a meeting with all the state-based exchanges to meet and share information about different issues. The KHBE received a letter from the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight (CCIIO) regarding the Final Detailed Design Review which was conducted in March. Also, earlier this week, the results of a workforce capacity study conducted by Deloitte were presented at several forums for stakeholders.

Qualified Health Plans Administrative Regulation

Mr. Nold reported that the Qualified Health Plan (QHP) certification administrative regulation was filed on May 13. Chairman Moessner asked if issuers in Kentucky would be required to follow the requirements of the Federally-facilitated Exchanges or the requirements in the QHP certification regulation regarding transparency of coverage. Mr. Nold responded that consumers will have access to the information related to transparency of coverage but will delay for one year the requirement to display the information on the Exchange website.

Update on Additional Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange Regulations

The administrative regulation for the Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP) should be filed next week and the eligibility and enrollment, Navigators, and agents regulations will be filed in the next two weeks. The appeals regulation is being drafted, but the KHBE is waiting for final federal guidance to be issued.

Dental Plans – Follow-Up

The QHP Task Force and the Dental Workgroup held a joint meeting via conference call on April 29, 2013, to resolve the outstanding issues regarding dental plans. The QHP Task Force and the Dental Workgroup recommended that: 1) the maximum out-of-pocket shall be \$1,000 for a single child enrollee and \$2,000 for two or more child enrollees; 2) a dental insurer offering stand-alone dental plans on the Exchange shall offer a high (85%) and low (70%) actuarial value dental plan; and 3) a dental insurer offering a stand-alone dental plan through the Exchange shall be limited to offering a stand-alone dental plan which includes pediatric dental essential health benefits for individuals up to age 21 years of age. However, the insurer may also offer a stand-alone dental plan that includes adult or family coverage.

A motion was made to accept the recommendations and to supersede any previous recommendations, seconded, and approved on voice vote.

Other Business

The next meeting of the subcommittee will be held on June 27, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. at the Office of the Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.