

WFCA HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The WFCA Health Care Committee held a special meeting on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at the state association office in Olympia, Washington.

PRESENT

Members: Chair Jack Hensley, Gene Carmody, Ken Eakin, Jim Farrell and Brad Langdell.

Guests: Sally Borte, Adam Frey (via conference call), Kari Justad (Parker, Smith & Feek) and Tina Vasen (TPSC).

Staff: Jim Lux and Nora Eylenfeldt.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hensley called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chair Hensley dispensed with introductions.

EXPERIENCE REPORT

Adam Frey reviewed the experience report that was distributed to the committee noting a loss ratio through May of 96.7% (all plans combined). The dental program loss ratio for the same period was 94.3%. Commissioners' claims experience compared to funding is 157%.

The committee reviewed reports on utilization and large claims. The funding projection for 2015 is 7.8%; it was noted reinsurance and PCORI fees are estimated at \$160,000 and are not included in this projection.

Discussion was held on a potential rate pass for 2015 and what effect that would have on 2016 rates.

Proposed Rates for Insured Renewals:

- Kaiser Permanente—no increase.
- Group Health—32% increase; Mr. Frey will continue discussions with Group Health to attempt a rate reduction.
- WDS—3.6% increase; this is based on the January through April experience and Mr. Frey is working to include more recent experience in the hope of further rate reduction. The rate stabilization reserve is 11.4%.
- Standard Insurance Company—overall 23% increase; it was the consensus of the committee to shop this.

The committee recessed for lunch at 12:05 p.m. The committee reconvened at 12:50 p.m.

PPO NETWORK DISRUPTION ANALYSIS

Tina Vasen provided a network disruption analysis report showing data if the WFCA were to consolidate its network to First Choice in the greater Portland area. The report showed there would be some impact, primarily with ancillary providers such as massage therapists and chiropractors, so it will be important to communicate with districts. ID cards would also need to be re-issued.

TPSC has been notified that Trios (Kennewick General Hospital) will no longer be in the First Choice Health Network effective August 1, 2014. TPSC will communicate this information to districts in the Tri-Cities area as soon as possible.

HEALTH CARE MANAGER'S REPORT

Jim Lux announced that Thurston 12 joined the program and is the first district to have an HRA. Mr. Lux received a request from Kaiser to provide names and Social Security numbers for enrollees over the age of 45.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Health Care Committee will be held Friday, July 11, 11:00 a.m., in Olympia. Ken Eakin stated he will be unable to attend the meeting but will provide his input to Jim Lux.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.