

School Employees' Health Benefits Program
Plan Design Committee
Open Session Minutes: November 19, 2018 10:00 a.m.

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided through the annual notice of the schedule of regular meetings of the Committee filed with and prominently posted in the offices of the Secretary of State. A meeting notice was mailed to the Secretary of State, Star Ledger and the Trenton Times on June 18, 2018.

The meeting of the School Employees' Health Benefits Program Plan Design Committee of New Jersey was called to order on Monday, November 19, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Division of Pensions and Benefits, 50 West State St, in Trenton.

The text of Resolution B (Executive Session) – was read in its entirety in the event that the Committee desires, at any point in the meeting, to approve a motion to go into closed session.

Acting Secretary Ludwig took Roll Call and established that a quorum was present.

Roll Call

Committee Members:

Julie Giordano Plotkin, NJEA (Appearing Telephonically)

Kevin Kelleher, NJEA

David Pointer, Deputy Director, Division of Pensions and Benefits

Jennifer Keyes-Maloney, Assistant Treasurer

David Ridolfino, Director, Office of Management and Budget

Absent:

Jean Pierce, AFT/AFL-CIO

Also Present:

Mark Cipriano, Division of Pensions and Benefits

Nicole Ludwig, Division of Pensions and Benefits

Joseph Palladino, Division of Pensions and Benefits

Danielle Schimmel, Deputy Attorney General

Meeting Minutes:

Committee Member Kelleher made a motion to approve the October 22, 2018 Meeting Minutes. Committee Member Ridolfino seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

Presentation by Aetna Regarding Chiropractic Services

Kim Ward and Sharon Cannon, Aetna, presented on the Chiropractic services that are covered under the Aetna Medicare Advantage plan. Ms. Ward explained that steps have been taken to ensure that the coverage is equal to the coverage offered under the Horizon supplemental plans. Ms. Ward provided a hard copy of the flyer that was mailed to all members regarding Chiropractic Services.

Presentations by DPCMH Providers Paladina Health and R-Health

Craig Peterson, Paladina Health, presented on the current member enrollment in Paladina services and the continued efforts to increase population in the plan. Mr. Peterson went on to explain that Paladina Health is working on flyers that address NJWell with the members. Paladina Health is also expanding the service area in the Northern NJ area, some key target areas to add service may be Essex, and Hunterdon Counties. Mr. Peterson explained that the membership is increasing and that it is always a challenge to retrain the members to use Direct Primary Care Doctors, but the number of visits is increasing.

Mason Reiner and Sasha Ballen, R-Health, presented on the current member enrollment in R-Health, and their efforts to increase member enrollment. Mr. Reiner noted that R-Health currently operates 6 locations, and intends to open a 7th location in 2019. While no location has been determined, the location will likely focus around the Oranges in Northern NJ.

Follow up from Reference Based Pricing:

Christin Deacon, NJDPB, gave a follow up presentation on Reference Based Pricing (RBP). Ms. Deacon provided additional details about how other states have implemented RBP, including Arkansas, California, Tennessee, Washington, and Montana.

Committee Member Maloney suggested reaching out to some of the states with RBP to learn more about their experiences and struggles moving to RBP to inform how the PDC could explore moving in the direction of RBP. Chairperson Pointer suggested that a cost analysis be completed to determine the savings that RBP could present to the SEHBP.

Adjournment:

Committee Member Kelleher made a motion to adjourn, Committee Member Ridolfino seconded the motion; all voted in favor. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:25am.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Ludwig". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nicole Ludwig
Acting Secretary, SEHBP-PDC