

Consumer and Small Employer Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

- > **date:** **Tuesday, November 19, 2013**
- > **building:** **Open Cities Health Center, 409 North Dunlap, St. Paul 55104**
- > **time:** **1:00 – 5:00 p.m.**
- > **members in attendance:** Tom Lopez, Jin Johnson, Joan Carchedi, Michael Jones, James McClean, Richard Oni, Luis Ortega, Anna Odegaard, Val Jensen, Julia Johnson, Claudette Moran, Hussein Sheikh, Kathryn Duevel (Board Liaison)
- > **members unable to attend:** Tamara Ward, Patrick Lochwood, Jen Daulman Johnson, Jama Mohamod, Tiffany Breitreutz

topics

- Welcome and Committee Member Introductions**
Kathryn Duevel, Board Liaison
- The meeting was called to order at 1:12 p.m.
- Doug Hanson, CEO of Open Cities Health Center, welcomed everyone to the Health Center.
- Approval of Nov. 5, 2013 meeting minutes**
Katie White, UMN Facilitator
- Minutes from the 11/5 meeting are now posted on the Google site for review. Corrections can be sent to Heather Fox.
- Update from Health Industry Advisory Committee**
Kathryn Duevel, Board Liaison
- Thompson Aderinkomi is the board liaison to the Health Industry Advisory Committee. He shared with Kathryn his [assessment](#) of where the members of the Health Industry Advisory Committee stand on active purchaser and Kathryn shared it with the committee. In addition, Thompson posted a link on the Consumer and Small Employer Advisory Committee's Google site to the [Health Industry Advisory Committee's survey results](#).
- Group Discussion**
Kathryn Duevel, Board Liaison, Katie White, UMN Facilitator
- Selecting Committee Leadership
- Discussion about committee leadership will be tabled due to the tight timeframe.
- Google Site, Surveys and Group Communication
- Some felt answering the survey and also adding comments to the Google site were duplicative.
 - The committee is interested in knowing if there is another topic coming up soon that they can begin preparing for. The next topic will be feedback on the enrollment process.

**Review:
Clearinghouse/Active
Purchaser**
Anna Odegaard, Committee
Member

Anna shared a presentation on [Clearinghouse / Active Purchaser](#).

A list of the ten essential health benefits was requested. Please [click here](#) for the list.

**Update on Board
discussion related to
Clearinghouse / Active
Purchaser**
*Kathryn Duevel, Board
Liaison*

Anna reviewed a [plan details grid](#).

Committee members worked in small groups comparing SBCs as if they were consumers shopping for health insurance.

**Group discussion:
Addressing specific
questions from the Board
Advisory Committee
Members**

The committee members worked in small groups to identify and discuss their top priorities and then reported back to the whole committee.

Having an open marketplace for the first two years was noted as a priority.

Some of the priorities identified that fall within the spectrum of active selector included:

- A cost calculator
- Standardized plans
- Continuity of care when transitioning between plans
- A benchmark plan
- Consumer safeguards

**Group Discussion:
Clearinghouse/Active
Purchaser**
*Advisory Committee
Members*

Each member shared their individual thoughts on what was most important to them. These thoughts could be tied to the [eight plan selection categories](#) but did not have to be. They included:

- Mental health
- Assuring quality and value
- Meaningful choices and access
- Quality and value specific to mental health
- Market stability and adverse selection
- Meaningful choices
- Promotion of initiatives to reduce health disparities
- Cost
- Every plan on MNsure is the best coverage for the cost
- Networks

**Small Group Discussion
on top priorities and
Report Back**
*Advisory Committee
Members*

The committee broke into small groups to further discuss the priorities identified in the group discussion and formulate recommendations around those priorities. They then reported back to the full committee.

Vote:
**Clearinghouse/Active
Purchaser
Recommendations**
*Advisory Committee
Members*

The committee voted on which priorities to include in their recommendation to the board.

Received 8 of 9 votes

- Affordability
- Meaningful choice (model plan)

Received 7 of 9 votes

- Adverse selection

Received 6 of 9 votes

- Mental health
- Quality and value
- Disparities, education and communication

Anna and James collected and will post a draft of the recommendation on the Google site for the committee to review.

The committee decided to have one more meeting and additional online interaction in the Google group before sending their recommendation to the board.

Wrap-up
*Kathryn Duevel, Board
Liaison*

A poll will be sent to determine the best day of the week for future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.