

## MNsurance Health Industry Advisory Committee Meeting

- > **date:** Tuesday, November 19, 2013
- > **building:** Open Cities Health Center, 409 N. Dunlap, St. Paul, MN 55104
- > **time:** 5:15 to 8:30 pm
- > **MNsurance Board Mission Statement:** The purpose of the organization is to ensure that every Minnesota resident and small business, regardless of health status, can easily find, choose, and purchase a health insurance product that they value and does not consume a disproportionate share of their income.
- > **Advisory Committee Guiding Principals:**
  - Authentic Advice to the MNsure Board
  - Transparency
  - All Voices Heard Equally
  - A Written Record is Needed
- > **members in attendance:** Charles Sawyer, Cassandra Beardsley, Harlan Johnson, Christopher Johnson, David Dziuk, Forrest Flint, Ghita Worcester, Heidi Michaels, JoAnna Justiniano, Jonathan Watson, Kenneth Bence, Michael Scandrett, Reuben Moore, Samuel Boadu, Samuel Moose, Stacey Ko, Thompson Aderinkomi (Board Liaison)
- > **members unable to attend:** Jennifer Andrashko

### topics

#### **Welcome**

*Thompson Aderinkomi,  
Board Liaison*

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Thompson Aderinkomi, Board Liaison.

Christopher Johnson moved to approve the November 5<sup>th</sup> minutes. Joanna Justiniano seconded. There were no objections and the minutes were approved.

#### **Introduce Committee Chair and Vice Chair**

*Thompson Aderinkomi,  
Board Liaison*

Thompson shared that the Board appointed Reuben Moore as committee Chair and Forrest Flint as Vice Chair. They were congratulated by the committee. A formal handoff meeting will take place on Thursday, November 21.

#### **An assessment of the Consumer and Small Employer Advisory Committee's discussion**

*Kathryn Duevel, Board Liaison*

As the Consumer and Small Employer Advisory Committee had just met, Kathryn Duevel, Board Liaison to that committee, shared her assessment of their discussion.

She also shared that the Board had appointed Anna Odegaard as Chair and James McClean as Vice Chair.

#### **Online Feedback Review**

*Sheila Riggs, University of Minnesota Facilitator*

It was asked if there was value in completing the last survey now if it was not completed within the first three days of posting. As the first two surveys were trial runs it would not be valuable now, but on surveys going forward it would be.

**Summary of MNSure Board Active Selector Direction**

*Thompson Aderinkomi, Board Liaison*

Thompson shared [a document summarizing the MNSure Board's active selector direction](#).

It was suggested that rather than a request for proposal (RFP), the Board call it a request for information (RFI).

**Group Discussion: MNSure Board Active Purchaser Direction**

*Sheila Riggs, University of Minnesota Facilitator*

The committee members provided their initial reactions to the summary.

There was some discussion about the difference between operational items and what could be accomplished by the Board executing on their active selector authority.

Thompson responded with his thoughts, adding there is no indication right now that the Board wants to make a rule. They are only talking about doing a RFP right now. The content (the "what") has to be determined by 12/4, not the "how." Doing nothing is an option as well.

**Group Discussion: Other Active Purchaser Options**

The committee members each shared their thoughts / positions on the active selector options.

The committee collaborated to form a [statement](#) they could support, which included some caveats and acknowledgment of constraints. This exercise led to a great deal of discussion and the decision was made to share the statement in the form of a Google survey, to which the committee members should respond with their own positive affirmations or negative considerations. Thompson advised the group that on this survey, they should not spend their allowance of 500 words talking about things that are already known, but to offer new insight and creative solutions. There will also be an "idea box" survey question where they can comment regarding operational items.

During the discussion, a few points of clarification were made.

- The Board already has active selector authority. They are simply looking for recommendations from the advisory committees on how or whether to use it. They want an awareness of potential unintended consequences.
- The decision the Board makes around active selector is around activity occurring in 2014 with an impact on 2015 plans. It's not about enrollment today.

**Reflection on Group Dynamics**

*Sheila Riggs, University of Minnesota Facilitator*

The ease of understanding information (figuring out easier ways to describe things) was suggested as a future meeting topic.

**Closing Remarks**

*Thompson Aderinkomi, Board Liaison*

The next committee meeting date will be determined at the Thursday morning transition meeting.

Thompson thanked Sheila Riggs for her facilitation and assistance over the past three meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.