

State Health Benefits Program Plan Design Committee
Open Session Minutes
April 26, 2023

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided through the annual notice of the schedule of regular meetings of the Commission filed with and prominently posted in the offices of the Secretary of State. The 2023 annual meeting schedule was mailed to the Secretary of State on December 20, 2022, and Star Ledger and the Trenton Times on December 20, 2022. Updates regarding the telephonic meeting were sent to the Secretary of State on December 1, 2022.

The meeting of the State Health Benefits Plan Design Committee of New Jersey was called to order on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 1:00 pm. The meeting took place at the Division of Taxation in Trenton.

The text of Resolution A (Closed Session) and Resolution B (Executive Session) were read in their entirety in the event that the Commission desires, at any point in the meeting, to approve a motion to go into Closed or Executive session.

Kelly Fields took Roll Call and established that a quorum was present.

Committee Members:

John Megariotis
Andrea Spalla
Michael Zanyor
Dave Krueger
Jim McAsey
Kim Walker
Kevin Lyons
Lynn Azarchi
Justin Zimmerman

Also Present:

Alison Keating, State of New Jersey Deputy Attorney General
Kelly Fields, State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits
Joyce Malerba, State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits

Absent:

Kimberly Holmes
Robert Little
Patrick Nowlan

Committee Member Zanyor made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for December 21, 2022 and February 22, 2023. Committee Member Megariotis seconded, all voted in favor.

Division Update:

Nicole Ludwig stated the national emergencies addressing COVID-19 will end on May 11, 2023. As of May 12th, health plans and group plans sponsors no longer need to follow federal requirements regarding COVID-19 testing, vaccines and treatments. Committee member Lyons questioned if these changes are Plan Design changes and suggested that a vote be taken, as well as a discussion before the changes go into effect. Nicole Ludwig discussed the total amount spent on COVID-19 test kits, antivirals and vaccines.

RX Subgroup Report:

Committee member Zanyor stated that the committee met to discuss and explore options to identify cost savings. The Division will be providing data and data analysis to then present to the PDC. Andrea Spalla touched base on mental health and the RBP subgroup joint.

Committee member Zanyor made a motion to adjourn. Committee member Megariotis seconded. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 1:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelly Fields
Acting Secretary
State Health Benefits Plan Design Committee