

COMMISSIONER'S NETWORK ADEQUACY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held September 12, 2016

The Commissioner's Network Adequacy Advisory Council held a public meeting on Monday, September 12, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. at the Nevada Division of Insurance Hearing Room, 1818 East College Parkway, Carson City, Nevada, which was simultaneously video-conferenced to Las Vegas at the Bradley Building, Division of Insurance Conference Room, Third Floor, 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law. The video recording of this meeting may be viewed on the Division's website, http://doi.nv.gov/Insurers/Life_and_Health/Network_Adequacy_Advisory_Council/.

Roll Call of Members:

The following Council members were present:

Dr. Howard Baron (LV)
Dr. Tracey Green (LV)
Nancy Hook (CC)
Jack Kim (LV)
Todd Lefkowitz (CC)
John Packham (CC)
Pete Sabal (LV)
Bill Welch (CC)

The following Council members not present:

Trevor Rice (CC)

Division of Insurance Staff in attendance:

Rhonda Kelly (LV)
Alexia Emmermann (CC)
Richard Yien (CC)
Jeremey Gladstone (CC)
Syed Rahman (CC)
Nanci Hoffman (CC)

Network Adequacy Advisory Council Meeting Facilitator:

Deborah Loesch-Griffin

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Alexia Emmermann, Legal Counsel for the Division of Insurance; called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. Ms. Emmermann took roll. Six members were present at roll call. Two members joined the meeting after roll call. One member was absent from the meeting.

2. Review and Approve Minutes from August 17, 2016

Ms. Emmermann asked for approval of the minutes from August 17, 2016, meeting. Todd Lefkowitz moved to approve the minutes, seconded by John Packham. The minutes were approved.

3. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

4. Review, revise and approve final Report.*(For possible action)

Deborah Loesch-Griffin asked the members if they had suggestions, changes, etc. to the Report. She stated that as this is the last opportunity to finalize the Report before presenting it to the Commissioner. Todd Lefkowitz and John Packman proposed some changes; they were duly noted and corrected. First motion to approve the Report was made by Todd Lefkowitz, seconded by Nancy Hook. The seven present Council members unanimously approved the Report.

Ms. Emmermann explained to the Council the next steps in the process toward implementing network adequacy standards in Nevada. The Commissioner will determine whether to accept any of the standards recommended by the Council, and then initiate the regulation process. The process for Plan Year 2018 would be complete once the regulations for network adequacy are adopted. Everyone was invited to attend the rulemaking process.

5. Discuss Plan Year 2019

- a. Discuss potential calendar of meetings

The members had a discussion as to when future meetings should take place for the 2019 plan year. There were several items brought up to consider in planning these meetings such as: the CMS Issuer Letter, the 2017 Legislative Session, data requests and timelines, and DOI staff availability.

- b. Schedule first meeting and agenda items

This has not yet been determined as the Council had the same concerns as above in setting up a definite timeframe.

- c. Identify data reports for first meeting

It was asked of the Division if the Advisory Council could have an educational debrief meeting, as this would be beneficial so the Council can collect materials before the first Council meeting. Ms. Emmermann explained that it was the intent of the Commissioner to have a meeting after the rulemaking process was finished for plan year 2018 and before the start of the meetings for plan year 2019.

6. Public Comment:

There was a public comment by Jeanette Belz, she had three factors that she wanted to make note on and they were:

She stated for the Report that it would be useful if the acronyms could be spelled out to make it easier for people to determine what the various acronyms mean in the Report.

Ms. Belz also thanked the Division of Insurance staff for getting everything out on the internet in a timely manner and in an easy-to-follow format during this process.

For the data reports related to provider and specialty counts she requested that the Division research the source of this data to have a better understanding of the data and the potential duplicates and errors that it may contain.

7. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nanci Hoffman