

**KY MINUTES OF MEETING
KENTUCKY GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE BOARD
KENTUCKY EMPLOYEES' HEALTH PLAN
MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 26, 2024, AT 2:00 P.M.
PERSONNEL CABINET, 501 HIGH STREET, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY 40601
VIDEO TELECONFERENCE AND IN-PERSON HYBRID MEETING**

At the monthly meeting of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board held on March 26, 2024, the following members were present: Secretary Mary Elizabeth Bailey, Tommy Loving, Shawn Boggs as proxy for Sharon Clark, Jason McGinnis as proxy for Katie Comstock, Nancy Haggerty as proxy for John Hicks, Tiffany Yeast as proxy for Robin Kinney, Connie Pettyjohn as proxy for Jerry Powell, Matt Frey as proxy for Allison Ball, Elizabeth Cunningham as proxy for Holly Johnson, Adrienne Carter, Steve Gillespie, and Brent McKim. Staff members present were Commissioner Chris Chamness, Jen Thompson, Jessica Hetrick, Jeff Heron, Donna Marcum, and Will Adams. Also present were Carl Felix, Kristin Shramovich, Cassie Cornish, Carly Auerbacher, Jessica Hiler, and David Hume.

Secretary Bailey called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m. Ms. Jennifer Thompson called roll.

Secretary Bailey asked for a motion to accept the February 27, 2024, board minutes as read and approved. The motion was made by Tommy Loving and seconded by Brent McKim. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Bailey introduced agenda item *Kentucky Employees' Health Plan (KEHP) Update*. Commissioner Chamness updated the Board on the following items:

- Welcome to Premise Health
 - Commissioner Chamness thanked Premise Health and Carly Auerbacher for joining to talk about smoking cessation.
 - Connie Pettyjohn had asked about youth tobacco use and educational programming at a prior meeting in 2023. DEI shared feedback with Premise as to whether education can include a more wholistic approach covering youth use, and how family tobacco use habits can increase youth use.
 - KEHP offers other smoking cessation efforts, including coverage of OTC nicotine replacement at no cost, and prescription products.

- Procurement
 - Responses to the RFP for pharmacy benefit manager services are with scoring team.
 - Finance Cabinet, Office of Procurement Services has the final draft of the TPA RFP and should be posting it shortly.

- GLP-1 Pilot Program
 - CVS/Caremark continues to see strong utilization and DEI believes that initial signs show a likely good return on investment.
 - DEI will determine whether to extend the pilot sometime soon.

- Wellness Fairs in Frankfort
 - The first fair at the State Office Building is tomorrow, with other fairs taking place in the coming months at other state buildings. Employees are welcome to participate in any of the upcoming fairs on the schedule.
 - State employees working in Frankfort received an email with the full schedule, may take up to one (1) hour with supervisor approval.

Will Adams, Plan Attorney, gave an update regarding the legislative session: he is following pending legislation that may impact KEHP, including SB 188 (PBM reform) and SB 261 (KEHP-supported clean-up bill).


Secretary Bailey introduced the agenda item *Premise – Program Update* Carly Auerbacher presented the Live Tobacco Free 7-week tobacco cessation program. This program is available at the LivingWell Health Clinics and it is no cost to members. There are 7 sessions to go through along the path, and begin with a session about Preparing to Quit. This program focuses on the mental and emotional side of smoking cessation which leads to better results when looked at holistically.

Secretary Bailey introduced the agenda item *Old/New Business*. There being no further business, Secretary asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Tommy Loving and seconded by Connie Pettyjohn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.

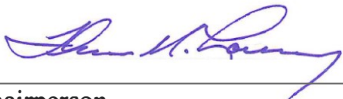

Copies of all documents presented are incorporated as part of the minutes of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board held March 26, 2024.

CERTIFICATION

I do certify that I was present at this meeting, and I have recorded the above actions of the Board on the various items considered by it at this meeting. Further, I certify that all applicable requirements of KRS 61.805-61.850 were met in conjunction with this meeting.


Recording Secretary

We, the Chair of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board and Deputy Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance, do certify that the Minutes of Meeting held on March 26, 2024, were approved on April 30, 2024.


Chairperson

Commissioner

I have reviewed the Minutes of the March 26, 2024, Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board Meeting for content, form, and legality.


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