

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
KENTUCKY GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE BOARD  
KENTUCKY EMPLOYEES' HEALTH PLAN  
MONTHLY MEETING April 25, 2023, AT 2:00 P.M.  
PERSONNEL CABINET, 501 HIGH STREET, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY 40601  
VIDEO TELECONFERENCE**

At the monthly meeting of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board held on April 25, 2023, the following members were present via video teleconference: Sharron Burton as proxy for Gerina Whethers (Chair), Tommy Loving, Glenda Hager as proxy for Mike Harmon, Tiffany Yeast as proxy for Jason Glass, Shawn Boggs as proxy for Sharon Clark, Elizabeth Cunningham as proxy for Holly Johnson, Brent McKim, Connie Pettyjohn as proxy for Jerry Powell, Nancy Haggerty as proxy for John Hicks, and Adrienne Carter. Staff members present were Chris Chamness, Jen Thompson, Paula Chisholm, Jessica Hetrick, Donna Marcum, and Jana Smith. Also present were Eric Poston, Leah Locknane, Carl Felix, Larry Totten. Will Hancock, Courtney Mangione, and Colleen Huber.

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Mr. Loving called the virtual meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Ms. Jennifer Thompson called roll.

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Mr. Loving asked for a motion to accept the March 28, 2023, board minutes as read and approved. The motion was made by Mr. McKim and seconded by Ms. Pettyjohn. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Loving introduced agenda item *KEHP Update*. Commissioner Burton updated the Board on the ongoing RFPs. The HRA/FSA/COBRA vendor RFP will be delayed until 2024 due to SB 42 requiring a new RFP for a 100% medical claims audit. The DEI is continuing to draft the Transparency RFP, to be released in 2023. Commissioner Burton spoke about the continuing implementation of the Castlight one-stop shop or “HUB” where members can access KEHP benefits through one location. A soft launch of the Castlight tool on April 1, 2023, with personal cabinet staff found only a few bugs, but for the most part, it is going well. DEI has now procured the Owl, allowing us to have hybrid meetings in accordance with the open meeting rules. Current plan for hybrid meetings is for late summer, once we have hired a replacement for the administrative assistant position in DEI.

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Mr. Loving introduced agenda item *Health Plan Landscape and Trends*. Colleen Huber spoke about the current trends in healthcare costs related to a year of high inflation and how those present cost pressures to the health plan. Some providers have requested rate increases of 30% or more, but insurance carriers are pushing back. As 2023 continues, these price increases will drive trends

up, more than actual utilization. AON's presentation included 2024 projected healthcare trends with medical and pharmacy claims. Lastly, AON provided information regarding the end of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), including information about how the end of the PHE will impact KEHP coverage.

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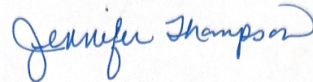
Mr. Loving introduced the agenda item *Old/New Business*. There being no further business, he asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Mr. McKim and seconded by Ms. Pettyjohn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:31 pm.

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Copies of all documents presented are incorporated as part of the minutes of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board held April 25, 2023.

### 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 Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance, do certify that the Minutes of Meeting held on April 25, 2023, were approved on May 23, 2023.



Chairperson



Commissioner

I have reviewed the Minutes of the April 25, 2023, Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board Meeting for content, form, and legality.



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