

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
KENTUCKY GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE BOARD  
KENTUCKY EMPLOYEES' HEALTH PLAN  
MONTHLY MEETING May 23, 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 May 23, 2023, the following members were present via video teleconference: Secretary Mary Elizabeth Bailey, 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, Connie Pettyjohn as proxy for Jerry Powell, Nancy Haggerty as proxy for John Hicks, Adrienne Carter, and Steve Gillespie. Staff members present were Sharron Burton, Chris Chamness, Jen Thompson, Paula Chisholm, Donna Marcum, and Allison Lile. Also present were Carl Felix, Tanya Smith, Bowie Hogg, Paul Titus, Colleen Huber, Camile Burgess, Will Hancock, and Dora Moore.

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Commissioner Burton called the virtual meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

Ms. Jennifer Thompson called roll.

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Commissioner Burton asked for a motion to accept the April 25, 2023, board minutes as read and approved. The motion was made by Ms. Pettyjohn and seconded by Mr. Gillespie. The motion passed unanimously.

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Commissioner Burton introduced agenda item *KEHP Update*. Commissioner Burton introduced Secretary Bailey to the board members and welcomed her. The posting for an Administrative Specialist III position closes this week, and the Commissioner hopes to have the position filled soon. Preparations have begun for Open Enrollment (OE) that include drafting of the Benefits Selection Guide, and DEI has scheduled recurring OE meetings.

Commissioner Burton updated the Board on the ongoing Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and developments with pharmacy benefits:

- The RFP in response to SB 42, for a 100% medical claims audit vendor, is in draft stage.
- The DEI has drafted the Transparency RFP, and it is in review to be released in 2023.
- The DEI is working with UK's Know Your Rx Coalition to try to leverage joint buying power for more significant savings for the upcoming Pharmacy Benefits Manager RFP.
- The Value Formulary will change 7/1/23. The biggest change is the elimination of an inhaler (Flovent) that will impact approximately 1100 members. Letters will be going out to these

members.

- The DEI is analyzing the use and benefits for anti-obesity drugs, sometimes called GLP-1s, which are becoming wildly popular and affecting the plan's drug spend. The DEI is implementing a Weight Management pilot with CVS to help manage these drugs and members that are prescribed these drugs. Enrollment will begin in August and run through the end of the year. The Pilot will run through 2024.

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Commissioner Burton introduced agenda item *Hinge Health 2022 Annual Review*. Tanya Smith and Bowie Hogg spoke about the Hinge Health 2022 impact summary. With a cohort start date of 3/01/2022, Hinge and DEI now have 1 year of data to summarize member metrics and ROI. With nearly 6,000 KEHP members engaging in the program, 79% experienced a 49% reduction in pain which is clinically significant. (With traditional PT, only 59% experience a clinically significant reduction in pain). Hinge calculates that KEHP experienced a net savings of \$13.1 million during the first year. Member experience was rated at 9/10 for program success.

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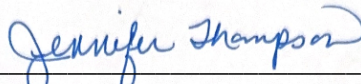
Commissioner Burton introduced the agenda item *Old/New Business*. There being no further business, she asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Mr. Gillespie and seconded by Ms. Pettyjohn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm.

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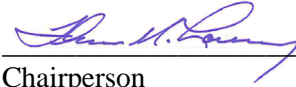
Copies of all documents presented are incorporated as part of the minutes of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board held May 23rd, 2023.

### **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.

  
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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 May 23, 2023, were approved on June 27, 2023.



Chairperson



Commissioner

I have reviewed the Minutes of the May 23, 2023, Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board Meeting for content, form, and legality.



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