

**MINUTES OF MEETING
KENTUCKY GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE BOARD
KENTUCKY EMPLOYEES' HEALTH PLAN
MONTHLY MEETING May 20, 2025, AT 2:00 P.M.
PERSONNEL CABINET, 501 HIGH STREET, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY 40601
IN-PERSON MEETING**

At the monthly meeting of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board held on May 20, 2025, the following members were present: Secretary Mary Elizabeth Bailey, Tanya Bradshaw as proxy for Commissioner Robbie Fletcher, Elizabeth Cunningham as proxy for Secretary Holly Johnson, Leah Locknane as proxy for Jerry Powell, Camille Burgess as proxy for Tommy Loving, Shawn Boggs as proxy for Commissioner Sharon Clark, Amanda Coulter as proxy for Deputy Director Jason McGinnis, and Steve Gillespie. Staff members present were Deputy Secretary Robert Long, Commissioner Chris Chamness, Jessie Drury, Will Adams, Grant Hakanson, Donna Marcum, and Paula Chisholm. Also present was Carl Felix, Emily Rostetter, and Vicky Dempsey.

Secretary Bailey called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Jessie Drury called roll.

Secretary Bailey asked for a motion to accept the April 29, 2025 board minutes as read and approved.

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

- Procurement Update – The Transparency RFP contract negotiations complete and signatures have been obtained. Scoring is ongoing for the Pharmacy Benefit Manager RFP. Drafting is complete with the FSA/HRA/COBRA RFP and we expect it to be published sometime soon by the Finance Cabinet.
- CVS/Caremark has made several changes to the Value Formulary, effective July 1. Donna has provided notice to the Board. Notice has also been sent to members, including letters from CVS to any impacted member.
 - One notable change was the removal of Zepbound, a GLP-1 drug for weight loss, from the Value Formulary. The Department did not have any advance notice of this change. The Cabinet has mailed a separate notice to members regarding this change to Zepbound's status.

- Other weight loss drugs such as Wegovy and Saxenda are still included on the Formulary.
 - Members have the right to file for a medical exception and continue their current coverage of any drug dropped from the formulary.
- Wellness Fairs – the next upcoming fair on Wednesday, June 11th at the State Office Building.

Secretary Bailey introduced the agenda item *LivingWell Program Review*. Emily Rostetter, Director of Strategic Accounts, presented the board with a program review which included information about the Regional Well-Being Coordinators, partnership accomplishments, 2024 highlights, and a summary of the focus and activities of the program. The average number of attendees at events continues to go up each year showing a strong engagement level. The Champions program continues to thrive and grow as well, with the highest numbers of members in program history. The LivingWell team supports the goals of the Personnel cabinet which has included creation and implementation of the Wellness Toolkit, revamping the Wellness Webpage, support at all Wellness Fairs and aligning themes and wellness content with the Our Healthy Kentucky Home program.

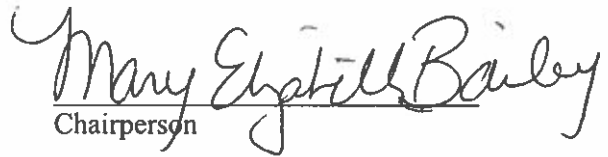
Secretary Bailey introduced the agenda item *Old/New Business*. There being no further business, Secretary Bailey asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Copies of all documents presented are incorporated as part of the minutes of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board held May 20, 2025.

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 May 20, 2025, were approved on June 24, 2025.


Chairperson


Commissioner

I have reviewed the Minutes of the May 20, 2025, Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board Meeting for content, form, and legality.


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