

MHBE Plan Management Stakeholder Committee
May 4, 2017
Meeting Minutes
Maryland Health Benefit Exchange/750 East Pratt Street, 16th Floor
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Welcome & Introductions – John Pierre Cardenas, Manager, Individual and Small Group Marketplace Programs

Meeting minutes approved

There was a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April by John Fleig, of United Healthcare, and seconded by Jon Evans of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange.

Feedback from the field

No feedback was offered.

SEP Verifications & Market Stabilization Rule

The Final Rule as it pertains to MHBE was discussed.

1. Open Enrollment Period Adjustment
 - Open Enrollment period has been shortened to 11/01 – 12/15
 - The Exchange is considering extending Open Enrollment by one week, but not publicizing the information.
2. Pre-enrollment Verification of SEPs
 - Resource allocation and scaling are being looked at in preparation of this change.
 - Issuers were asked about their experience with verifications in the off-Exchange Marketplace and the methodology used.
3. Pre-enrollment Verification when adding a dependent
 - MHBE will analyze options and consider costs of implementation.
4. Effective date options due to verification delays
 - Discussion about how to best manage effectuation dates given possible verification delays
5. Actuarial value range adjustments
 - Discussion was had regarding the effect on premiums and consumer choice as a result of actuarial value changes.
6. Guaranteed availability
 - MHBE will analyze options and consider costs of implementation.
 - Due to the Market wide implications MHBE will confer with the MIA on next steps.

SBMI, Reconciliation, Renewal & Testing

- Information was shared regarding the timeline and approach for producing the SBMI;
- MHBE/Issuer meeting date was established for addressing testing and other technical planning for 2017;
- A reconciliation dashboard has been created and was shared with issuers.

SHOP Renewal, Reconciliation, Reference Manual & Testing

- Recently released SHOP memoranda on the renewals processes and guidance on business deadlines was discussed.
- Information on a pending updated SHOP Reference Manual was discussed

Network Breadth Indicator & Process

Carriers were informed that all participating in MHC must submit a Network Adequacy/ECP template by July 1, 2017, for the purpose of determining network breadth.

Business Process Survey

The annual business process improvement survey for MHBE stakeholders is due June 1, 2017. The document was reviewed.

834 Companion Guide Update

Issuers were informed that the guide has been developed and is undergoing review. The draft release is May 11, 2017. There will be a comment period which will close on May 25, 2017. The final release date is June 1, 2017.

Failure to Reconcile Population

- MHBE has found that 4,664 households have received the Failure to Reconcile Flag.
- Removal of APTC will occur on July 1, 2017.
- Consumers that do not return to Maryland Health Connection to correct the FTR flag will receive notice that includes coverage options.
- Issuers will receive a final list of affected consumers

Next Meeting

The June Plan Management Stakeholder Meeting will be held at Kaiser's office, and more information is forthcoming.