
Absent

Members: Lenita Blasingame
Rep. Mark Biviano
Rep. Barry Hyde
Dr. Creshelle Nash

Meeting Notes

Item #	Description of Discussion	Action/Issue Item Number (if applicable)
I.	Steering Committee Chairperson Cindy Crone opened the meeting at 3:05 pm and welcomed the Steering Committee and guests. All attendees introduced themselves.	
II.	July's meeting minutes were approved with one correction: In Section IV, those under "100%" instead of "138%" of FPL are not eligible for a Federal Subsidy.	081
III.	Cindy announced that July's Steering Committee Recommendations to the Commissioner from both Advisory Committees (Plan Management and Consumer Assistance) were approved by Commissioner Bradford.	
IV.	Cindy discussed the Level One B Grant Application submitted to DHHS/CMS/CCIIO on August 14, 2012. (PowerPoint presentation) Cindy stated that the next Level One Grant Application submission would likely occur in May 2013.	
V.	Consumer Assistance Advisory Committee Co-Chair Anna Strong gave an update on the August Consumer Assistance Advisory Committee Recommendations and Issue Brief regarding IPA Entity Application Requirements (CAAC Recommendation Document). The following questions and concerns were raised: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Can individuals be an IPA Entity?2. Would the sharing of consumer names with other agencies be a violation of the HIPAA Laws?3. Request to remove Section II on page 4 of the Consumer Assistance Issue Brief.4. Are states coordinating with the IRS for reminders related to tax subsidies? AID Consumer Assistance Specialist, Sandra Cook stated that she would review regulations and seek consultation to find answers. Anna Strong presented the CA Advisory Committee Recommendations for IPA Entity Application Requirements. Following discussion, two amendments were recommended: 1) Add a condition that the IPA entity	082

	<p>must be current on Arkansas state taxes; and 2) An additional reason for IPA denial should be if the entity is on the State or Federal Excluded Provider list. Motion was made by Justice Annabelle Imber Tuck and seconded by Herb Sanderson to accept the CA Committee recommendations with the two amendments. The subsequent vote to accept was unanimous among Steering Committee members. Consumer Assistance topics for September will be Performance Measurements and the Grant Application Process.</p>	
VI.	<p>Plan Management Advisory Committee Co-Chair Annabelle Imber Tuck gave an update on the Plan Management Advisory Committee meetings and presented nine (9) recommendations for the Open Market vs. Active Purchaser topic area. (PMAC Recommendation Document)</p> <p>Four (4) recommendations passed with no changes, four (4) were passed with changes, one (1) was deleted</p> <p><i>See attached document, "9/17/2012 – Arkansas Federally Facilitated Exchange Partnership (FFE-P) Open Marketplace/Active Purchaser Recommendations", for final Steering Committee recommendations.</i></p>	
VII.	<p>Closing-The Steering Committee was reminded that the next meeting will be held on September 27, 2012 at the Arkansas Insurance Department, Suite 201.</p> <p>Cindy Crone thanked the Committee for their time and dedication and then adjourned the meeting at 6:15pm.</p>	