



AGENDA

State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Board Quality of Care Sub-Committee Meeting

October 13, 2015

1:00 p.m.

EBD Board Room – 501 Building, Suite 500

- I. Call to Order Bob Alexander, EBD Executive Director***
- II. Election of Officers Bob Alexander, EBD Executive Director***
- III. EBRX..... Dr. Dwight Davis, UAMS***
- IV. Directors Report..... Bob Alexander, EBD Executive Director***

Upcoming Meetings

November 10th

***NOTE: All material for this meeting will be available by electronic means only
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**State and Public School Life and Health Insurance
Board Quality of Care Sub-Committee
Minutes
October 13, 2015**

The State and Public Life and Health Insurance Board, Quality of Care Committee met on October 13, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in the EBD Board Room, 501 Woodlane, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Members Present

Margo Bushmiaer
Zinnia Clanton
Michelle Murtha
Pam Brown
Don Hollingsworth
Dr. Joseph Thompson (Proxy)

Members Absent

Frazier Edwards
Dr. Tony Thurman
Dr. Michael Moody
Robert Boyd
Carlton Saffa
Dr. Eric Crumbaugh
Dr. Patti Scott

Bob Alexander, Executive Director, Employee Benefits Division

Others Present

Dwight Davis, David Keisner, UAMS; Ethel Whittaker, Lori Eden, Ellen Justus, Janna Keathley, Stella Greene, Shay Burelson, Sherry Bryant, EBD; Pam Lawrence, AHH; Steve Althoff, MTI; Robyn Keene, AAEE; Andy Davis, Arkansas Democrat Gazette; Takisha Sanders, Health Advantage; Sam Smothers, Astra Zeneca; Hauser, BPS; Wayne Whitley, AHTD, Seaw Seagg, Merck

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Bob Alexander, Executive Director EBD

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The committee did not meet the quorum requirements. Therefore, there were no minutes to approve.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: *by Bob Alexander, Executive Director EBD*

No officers were elected. There were only six (6) members present.

EBRX: *by Dr. Dwight Davis, Director Evidence Based Prescription Program, UAMS*

Alexander reported the Quality of Care Committee will operate very similar to the DUEC Committee. EBD contracts with UAMS to provide expertise recommendations with reports to the Committee. The Committee will vote on the recommendations and then make recommendations to the Board.

Dr. Davis reported UAMS' goal is to develop a plan that would provide clinical support to the committee.

The committee will address 75% of the medical decisions. There could be policy changes that would improve the quality of care. Some policies evaluating specific procedures include appropriate anesthesia for Colonoscopies, Stem Cell Platets, Mammograms, Bariatric Surgery, and much more.

Reference pricing has been very successful in the 2015 plan year. Therefore, the reference pricing structure will be applied to certain medicines.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS: *by Bob Alexander, Executive Director EBD*

Alexander recommended the Committee review two important topics. The Payment Improvement Initiative Program will be reviewed at the next meeting with a presentation from Representatives from BlueCross and Blue Shield. The second topic needing review is Anesthesia for Colonoscopies.

Meeting Adjourned.