

Kansas State Employees Health Care Commission

July 27, 2010 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Kansas State Employees Health Care Commission (HCC) meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM in LSOB Room 106, 900 SW Jackson, Topeka, Kansas. Commissioners present in person were Duane Goossen (Chairman), and Nancy Ruoff. Commissioners John Staton and Steve Dechant attended the meeting via conference phone. Commissioner Sandy Praeger was not in attendance. Doug Farmer and Mike Michael from KHPA were also in attendance.

1. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Goossen asked for the approval of the May 27, 2010 and June 17, 2010 Minutes. John Staton noted a typo in # 8 of the May 27, 2010 minutes.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DECHANT AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STATON TO APPROVE THE CORRECTED MINUTES AS NOTED, OF THE MAY 27, 2010 AND JUNE 17, 2010 MINUTES. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

2. Approval of Temporary Regulation

Doug Farmer presented the temporary regulation allowing dependents that would currently age out at age 26 to stay on the current health plan as dependents for the remainder of the year. Federally enacted legislation requires the addition of such group by January, 2011. HCC approved moving forward with the temporary regulation by a roll call vote. KHPA will appear before the Kansas State Rules and Regulations Board on August 16, 2010. If approved by the Board the temporary regulation will go into effect on that date.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER RUOFF AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DECHANT TO APPROVE THE TEMPORARY REGULATION. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

Shelley King calls the roll on K.A.R. 108-1-1, 108-1-3, 108-1-4. Motion carries unanimously among commissioners present.

3. Watershed District Participation

KHPA was approached by a representative of the association representing Watershed districts about participation in the state employee health plan. KHPA has gone through the normal hearing process to add Watershed districts to the state employee health plan by regulation. In the meantime, KHPA had a statutory change so that this body can add groups to the state employee health plan without the requirement of amending

regulations each time so long as the requesting group is statutorily allowed to participate in the plan. According to Doug Farmer, HCC can add the Watershed districts to the plan without anyone else's approval. KHPA has gone through the process to have them added and they are now asking the HCC to add the Watershed districts to the health plan. KHPA sent surveys out to the districts, they received 9 out of 10 back. This will be a small group, approximately 12 members. KHPA approves and recommends that HCC authorize an inclusion of Watershed districts to the state employee health plan.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DECHANT AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RUOFF TO APPROVE ADDING THE WATERSHED DISTRICTS TO THE HEALTH PLAN. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.

Meeting adjourned 11:10 am