

**Dirigo Health Agency
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, June 14, 2010**

The Dirigo Health Agency Board of Trustees held a meeting Monday, June 14, 2010.

Jonathan Beal, Chair, convened the meeting at 9:07 AM in the Dirigo Health Agency Boardroom located at 211 Water Street in Augusta.

Other Board members in attendance: Sara Gagne Holmes, Mary Anne Turowski, Marianne Ringel, Gary Reed, Trish Riley, David Lemoine, Ellen Schneiter, and Anne Head. Also in attendance: Karynlee Harrington, Executive Director of the Dirigo Health Agency and William Kilbreth, Deputy Director of the Dirigo Health Agency.

Board Chair opened the meeting with a reminder to the Board members, that when a vote is taken, it is each member's responsibility to make sure that the chair has correctly recorded the vote. Retrospective amendments to a vote will not be allowed in the future.

The Board unanimously approved the May 10, 2010 minutes.

The Board unanimously adopted the policy statement prepared by staff regarding Robert's Rules of Order. Refer to document

Board member Sara Gagne-Holmes volunteered to be the Board's parliamentarian and the Board agreed.

Agency Business

Ms. Harrington reviewed the document she recently reviewed with Appropriations which summarizes the mechanics of how DHA will meet its legal obligation to pay back the outstanding balance remaining on the cash advance by June 30, 2010. Refer to document.

Ms. Harrington added that the Agency will provide to Appropriations, on a monthly basis, the SFY 2011 operating budget as they do to the Board.

Ms. Harrington reviewed the DHA SFY 2010 Cash Balance report. Refer to handout.

Mr. Kilbreth reviewed the income statement, balance sheet, and May enrollment report. Refer to handouts.

Mr. Kilbreth noted that the Agency should be in a positive fund balance by the end of the month.

Mr. Kilbreth added that the B enrollment in DirigoChoice is down from 55% this time last year to 43%. The subsidy PMPM is down from \$323.65 to \$308.30 and the 2010 FY Dirigo share of coverage costs is down from 59% to 55%.

Board member asked if it would be possible to look at people in the C category who might be Medicaid eligible. Ms. Harrington stated that this issue would be an agenda item for an upcoming Board meeting.

Ms. Harrington presented the DHA FY2011 Operating Budget. Refer to handout.

Ms. Harrington added that changes will be made to the DHA website to more effectively display the services DHA provides from both an access and quality perspective.

Ms. Harrington summarized several of the key provisions in the DHA Response to Solicitation for State Proposals to Operate Qualified High Risk Pools which was submitted to HHS early in the month. Refer to handout. Ms. Riley added that the federal government expects a July 1 award date.

Ms. Harrington summarized the presentation made to HRSA regarding the status of the Part-Time Voucher Program. Refer to handout.

Ms. Harrington reported that the Cohen Foundation awarded the Agency \$35,000.00 to be used for the evaluation work Muskie is assisting with the Patient Centered Medical Home Pilot.

On June 2, 2010 CMS announced a multi-payer advanced primary care practice demonstration. If successful this demonstration will allow for the integration of Medicare into Maine's Patient Centered Medical Home Pilot. A letter of intent was submitted last week.

Governor's Office of Health Policy and Finance-Trish Riley

Ms. Riley reviewed a detailed presentation titled *National Health Care Reform: Opportunities for Maine*. Refer to handout.

Key points made: Each day information is coming from the federal government. National Health reform is not a government run health program, in fact it is very much based on the employer system. It addresses the problem of the uninsured. In Maine there are approximately 125,000 uninsured. Federal reform seeks universal coverage. Health reform standardizes Medicaid eligibility across the country. It provides subsidized insurance for individuals with household incomes under 400% FPL and it has a shared responsibility provision. In Maine there will be fewer new enrollees enrolling in Medicaid compared to other states.

Ms. Riley distributed several handouts: Characteristics of the Uninsured in Maine Estimates, CPS, All Ages, All Poverty Levels: Calendar Years 2006-2008 from SHADAC, and Health Reform Estimated Impacts on the Medicaid Program 2010-2020. Refer to handouts.

Public Comments

There were comments from Peter Gore - Maine State Chamber of Commerce and Mitchell Stein- Maine Council of Churches and CAHC.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 12, 2010 beginning at 9:00 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.