Dirigo Health Agency Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting Monday, November 18, 2013

The Dirigo Health Agency Board of Trustees held a meeting on Monday, November 18, 2013. Chair Bruno convened the meeting at 9:00 AM in the Dirigo Health Agency Boardroom located at 211 Water Street in Augusta.

Board members in attendance: Robert Harmon, Wesley Richardson, Gary Reed, Ellen Shillinglaw and Neria Douglass. Also in attendance: Karynlee Harrington, Executive Director of DHA.

The September 23, 2013 meeting minutes were approved with two abstentions.

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An overview was provided by Director of Sales, Eric Jermyn on the Individual and Small Group market products, provider networks and education/outreach offered by Anthem Health Plans of Maine in the federal Marketplace/Exchange. See handout of presentation.

An overview was provided by CEO, Kevin Lewis on the provider networks, member services center, education/outreach and market products offered by Maine Community Health Options (MCHO) in the federal Marketplace/Exchange. See handout of presentation.

Ms. Harrington provided an update on the outreach efforts conducted by the Agency to assist with guiding membership to other coverage effective January 1, 2014. Several mailings to all membership have been sent. For the past year all communication to DC members has included information on the end of coverage effective December 31, 2013. The third round of outbound calls are underway to all individuals and sole props providing them with avenues for coverage assistance. Discussion ensued as to extending DirigoChoice coverage through January or February 2014. Ms. Harrington was directed to participate in discussions with HPHC and the Bureau of Insurance with regard to this issue. A December BOT meeting will be held for the primary reason of updating on the status of the federal website and to further discuss the extension of coverage and transition of membership.

Ms. Harrington reviewed current financials and enrollment. There are 7,300 members and 655 employer groups still enrolled at this time. A final audit report on the PCIP program will be available shortly. The last access Payments for December paid claims are due from the monthly payers the end of January 2014 and the annual payers are due in early March 2014. Agency is scheduled to vacate 211 Water Street on January 31, 2014. Several employees will remain through first quarter 2014 for run out activities as needed. Ms. Harrington will continue the activities of the MQF through FY2015 and beyond depending on remaining funds.

Ms. Harrington distributed a handout describing the mission, vision and strategies of the SIM grant. Ms. Harrington serves on two of the four subcommittees one representing MQF and the other representing MHDO.

Public Comments None

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 9, 2013 beginning at 9:00am. The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 AM.