Dirigo Health Agency Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting Monday, September 10, 2012

The Dirigo Health Agency Board of Trustees held a meeting Monday, September 10, 2012.

Chair Bruno convened the meeting at 9:32 AM in the Dirigo Health Agency Boardroom located at 211 Water Street in Augusta.

Board members in attendance: Gary Reed, Robert Harmon, Douglas Carr, Jonathan Beal, John Brautigam, Mary McAleney, and Ellen Shillinglaw. Also in attendance: Karynlee Harrington, Executive Director of DHA.

Chair Bruno welcomed new board member Deborah Hamblen-Wood.

The May 14, 2012 meeting minutes approved.

Agency Old Business

Ms. Harrington summarized the ending balance for FY12. Refer to handout.

Ms. Harrington reviewed with the Board the FY13 budget. Refer to handout.

Ms. Harrington discussed the proposed FY14 budget. This will begin July 1, 2013. The Agency will be in existence for six months during that biennium. Refer to handout.

Ms. Harrington reviewed the reason for the structural deficit and reminded the Board that the Agency's plan is to use its cash to balance at the end of the year.

Ms. Harrington recommended keeping in reserve approximately \$6 million for potential expenses associated with the parent population.

Ms. Harrington stated that the Agency anticipates that DirigoChoice and the Voucher program will remain open to new subsidized and unsubsidized enrollment through January 2013 effective dates. January 2013 renewals will be the only renewals receiving a 12 month contract. All other renewal months after January will be short contracts. Discussions with HPHC have started to determine at what point in time will HPHC stop renewing and extend the current contract through the end of December 2013.

Ms. Harrington reported that the Agency is working on a transition plan. The PCIP, Voucher, and HCTC projects will end December 31, 2013. Ms. Harrington briefly discussed the Co Ops which were created as part of the Affordable Care Act. The Co Op is required to work with the Health Insurance Exchange(s). Ms. Harrington reminded the Board that she is a member of the advisory committee for Maine's Co Op, Maine Community Health Options. She will forward the Board information about this new non profit health plan. Ms. Harrington added that there are a number of quality projects that will extend beyond 2013 a will need to be transitioned to another agency. All part of the transition planning process.

Ms. Harrington reported that the Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Program which is part of Public Law 90. The Agency has experienced its first rating impact due to the Guaranteed

Access Reinsurance program. HPHC reduced DC's unadjusted community rate for non group by approximately 5.8%; HPHC has built into its premium rates for all DC members approximately \$4 per month to support the reinsurance program. As a result of the PCIP program, HPHC reduced DC's unadjusted community rate for non-group by 2.6%.

Ms. Harrington presented to the Board the May, June, and July enrollment reports. Please refer to handouts.

Ms. Harrington updated the Board on the LD 1818 workgroup that was created to look at healthcare data in Maine and provide recommendations in regards to structure and access to data. This effort continues to move forward with Dr. Josh Cutler serving as one of the Chairs.

Ms. Harrington briefed the board on current MQF activities which includes Patient Centered Medical Home, Patient Experience of Care, Shared Decision Making, Physician Database, and Healthcare Associated Infections. Refer to handout.

Agency New Business

Ms. Harrington responded to Board member Beal's concern specific to the Agency not existing after December 31, 2013 and what will become of its members.

Ms. Harrington responded that she has discussed the termination of the Agency at the end of 2013 when its funding is eliminated with the Attorney General's Office. Unfortunately, without funding there is no way to maintain the operations of the Agency.

Board member Beal expressed his concerns about not getting any guidance from the administration on this matter and how the ACA will be implemented in Maine.

Chair Bruno stated the federal government will come into Maine and run the Exchange if Maine does not build its own health insurance exchange. The Chair reminded the Board that the Health Insurance Exchange Advisory Commission recommended in their report to the Governor and Legislature (which the DHA Board later endorsed) that Maine develop its own health insurance exchange.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 15, 2012 beginning at 9:30 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 AM.