



**DC Health Benefit Exchange Authority
Executive Board Meeting (Conference Call)
Draft Minutes
Wednesday, January 15, 2014
1:15 pm**

Members Present: Dr. Henry Aaron, Dr. Mohammad Akhter, David Berns, Diane Lewis (Chair), Kevin Lucia, Dr. Leighton Ku, Chester McPherson, Khalid Pitts, Kate Sullivan Hare

Members Absent: Dr. Joxel Garcia, Wayne Turnage

I. Welcome, Opening Remarks and Roll Call, *Diane Lewis, Chair*

There was a roll call of members present to confirm that there was a quorum. A quorum was met with five voting members Dr. Aaron, Dr. Akhter, Dr. Ku, Ms. Lewis, and Mr. Pitts.

II. Approval of Minutes, *Diane Lewis, Chair*

The minutes from the January 8th meeting were unanimously approved by roll call vote. Those voting in favor were Dr. Aaron, Dr. Akhter, Dr. Ku, Ms. Lewis, and Mr. Pitts.

III. Programmatic Update, *Mila Kofman, Executive Director*

On January 10th there was a Press Release on the enrollment data. To date, over 20,000 people have enrolled through DC Health Link:

- 2,649 enrolled in private health plans through the DC Health Link individual and family marketplace for coverage that begins on January 1, 2014;
- 4,677 people gained Medicaid coverage through DC Health Link; and
- 11,967 people enrolled through the DC Health Link small business marketplace (including congressional staff).
- An additional 997 people have already enrolled for individual and family coverage that will begin on February 1, 2014.

Many young people have enrolled through DC Health Link. The largest enrollment, 37% of enrollees in private individual coverage through DC Health Link, is 26 to 34 year olds; the second largest is 35 to 44 year olds (20%). There are a significant number of uninsured young people and many of the outreach efforts have been focused on the younger population. There was a concern that enrollment would not have a mix of age categories for a stable insurance pool. Ms. Kofman thanked the DC Health Link Assisters and the Exchange outreach team for their efforts. The Exchange was recognized for its efforts by the White House; President Obama had lunch January 10th with five young people, including DC Health Link Assister Andres Cruz of Mary's Center, who are encouraging their peers to obtain health insurance.

In addition, the team is strategizing to improve enrollment for the population who are uninsured and qualify for advanced premium tax credits. Ms. Kofman acknowledged that Dr. Ku had provided very helpful data on the uninsured that will assist the team in its strategic planning.

IV. Public Comment

No comments provided

V. Closing Remarks and Adjourn to Executive Session

Board members Kate Sullivan Hare and Kevin Lucia joined the meeting.

A motion was made to move into closed executive session pursuant to DC Code Sections 2-575(b) (2) and 31-3171.11 to discuss contracting matters. Upon a unanimous roll call vote of the members present, the meeting went into closed executive session. Voting in favor were Dr. Aaron, Dr. Akhter, Dr. Ku, Ms. Lewis, Mr. Lucia, and Ms. Sullivan Hare.