

# **Standing Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

## February 13, 2013 3:00pm – 5:00pm 441 4<sup>th</sup> St., NW Washington, DC 20001

#### **Opening and General Updates:**

• The meeting was called to order by Chris Gardner and attendance was taken by rollcall.

#### Members Present:

Claire McAndrew, Chris Gardiner, Stephen Jefferson, Bill MacCartee, Barry Lewis

#### Members Present Via Teleconference:

Dania Palanker Jill Thorpe

#### Members Absent:

Karen Johnson Kevin Dougherty

#### **Staff Present:**

#### I. Approval of Minutes

- 1. the Minutes of the meeting of January 23, was approved as amended
- 2. the minutes of the meeting of February 4, was approved

### II. Old Business

- Stephen Jackson informed the Board that Stuart Berlow is unable to serve as chair of the Consumer Assistance Advisory Committee. Members of the board will reach out to persons they know on the Committee to identify a member willing to serve as chair.
- There is one unfilled seat on the Plan Management Advisory Committee which is reserved for someone from one of the four largest health insurance carriers by enrollment in the District.
- Mila Kofman, Executive director of the HBX and Billy MacCartee, a member of the Board has both agreed to contact Aetna to determine whether they will nominate someone for membership on the Committee.
- Several board members voiced concern over the short notice given re Board meetings. It was suggested that a schedule of meetings be posted on the HBX website for the benefit of the public and their own planning. Mila Kofman committed to do.

## 111. New Business

- a) Transition to a single Market
  - The chair informed the meeting that the Executive Board had voted to institute a single market for health insurance for the District's HBX. The Executive board has requested that the Advisory board advise on how the transition to the single market should proceed. Specifically, the Board is to recommend whether the transition to a single market should be over a one year or two year period, or a combination of both.
  - Mila Kofman addressed the meeting to clarify and make clear our task and to answer any questions
  - Dr. Linda Blumberg of the Urban Institute, who has agreed to assist the board with this task, was introduced. She addressed the meeting and framed the issues which need to be considered in making our recommendation.
  - A decision was made to schedule a Board meeting for Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> to continue discussion of these and other matters.

## b) Need for a Board Vice-Chair

The chair noted that there was a need to appoint a vice-chair of the board. It was agreed that this will be done at the Board's next meeting.

## Adjournment

• The meeting adjourned at 4:52