



RESOLUTION

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE AUTHORITY

To recommend eligibility and programmatic changes to the District of Columbia Healthcare Alliance.

WHEREAS, the Health Benefit Exchange Authority Establishment Act of 2011, effective March 4, 2012 (D.C. Law 19-94; D.C. Official Code § 31-3171.01 *et seq.*) (“Act”) created the District of Columbia Health Benefit Exchange Authority (“Authority”), an independent authority of the Government of the District of Columbia, and its governing Executive Board;

WHEREAS, §7 of the Act (D.C. Code §31-3171.06) authorizes the Executive Board to take actions necessary to carry out the functions necessary to establish an American Health Benefit Exchange;

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2001, the District of Columbia Council established an entirely locally funded healthcare safety net program, entitled the D.C. Healthcare Alliance, administered by the Department of Healthcare Finance (“DHCF”) (D.C. Official Code §7-1401 *et. seq.*);

WHEREAS, the D.C. Healthcare Alliance currently provides health coverage to District of Columbia residents with incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level, without coverage by Medicaid, Medicare, or other third party medical or health insurance coverage (22 DCMR 3301);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Board hereby recommends that DHCF consider recommending to the Mayor and City Council that the eligibility rules for the D.C. Healthcare Alliance be amended to allow people not eligible for coverage through the Exchange to enroll in the Alliance coverage. To ensure affordability and to achieve parity with coverage sold through the Exchange (federal tax credits for people with incomes of up to 400% FPL), DHCF should consider recommending to the Mayor and City Council no cost and sliding scale premiums – which would necessitate a commitment of city resources.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted on this 13th day of March, 2013, by the Executive Board of the District of Columbia Health Benefit Exchange Authority in an open meeting.

Khalid Pitts, Secretary/Treasurer
District of Columbia Health Benefits Exchange Authority

Date