



**DC Health Benefit
Exchange Authority**

Health Benefit Exchange Authority Executive Board Meeting

FINAL MINUTES

Date: Thursday, February 23, 2017
Time: 12:00 Noon
Location: By Conference Call Only
Call-in Number: 1-650-479-3208; access code: 738 848 577

Members Present: Henry Aaron, Kate Sullivan Hare, Leighton Ku, Diane Lewis, Khalid Pitts
Members Absent: Nancy Hicks, LaQuandra Nesbit, Stephen Taylor, Wayne Turnage, Tamara Watkins, Laura Zeilinger

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

Chair Diane Lewis called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm. A roll call of members confirmed that there was a quorum with four voting members present (Dr. Aaron, Ms. Sullivan Hare, Dr. Ku, and Ms. Lewis).

Board Procedure - The February 8th Executive Board meeting did not need a continuation to another day. This serves as notice that the meeting is considered adjourned as of the conclusion of the executive session.

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

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously, with Dr. Aaron, Ms. Sullivan Hare, Dr. Ku, and Ms. Lewis voting yes.

III. Discussion Item, Partnership Agreement – *Mila Kofman, Executive Director*

Mr. Pitts entered the call.

Ms. Kofman reported exciting news. Earlier this day, the Massachusetts Health Connector Board voted to enter into a partnership with DC HBX. Massachusetts has decided to use the technology HBX built to support the small business exchange, SHOP, to support Massachusetts' small businesses. The Massachusetts Health Connector Authority will partner with HBX to support the

technology, share costs and achieve operational cost efficiencies. Ms. Kofman wanted to share the great news with the Board and the public.

Dr. Ku asked if this was the first type of agreement between states across the country. Ms. Kofman replied yes. It is a first in the nation state partnership to re-use technology that has been built, and to share ongoing costs among two states for operating that technology and making improvements to that technology into the future.

IV. Public Comment

No public comment was proffered.

V. Vote

a. Partnership Agreement

It was moved and seconded that the Executive Board supports HBX entering into a partnership with the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority, a first-in-the-nation partnership between two state-based ACA marketplaces. The partnership will achieve greater efficiencies for both marketplaces. The motion passed unanimously, with Dr. Aaron, Ms. Sullivan Hare, Dr. Ku, Ms. Lewis and Mr. Pitts voting yes.

VI. Closing Remarks and Adjourn, *Diane Lewis, Chair*

Ms. Lewis reported publically for the record the four votes that were taken in Executive Session at the February 8, 2017 board meeting related to the Massachusetts partnership. Since the partnership was still confidential and pending approval, thus procurements were voted on in Executive Session pending approval by the MA Health Connector Authority. The votes are:

1. Accenture LLP for \$680,000 for IT Consulting Services
2. A&T Systems for Amazon Cloud Services – To increase the current contract year for \$200,000 and approve the next option year for \$600,000. The option year includes work for HBX and MA.
3. NFP Health for premium aggregation services – To increase the current contract year for \$226,200.
4. Courage for IT consulting services – To increase the current contract year by \$250,000 which includes work for HBX and MA.

Ms. Lewis also announced that there will be an Executive Board meeting by telephone only on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting agenda and call information is posted on the HBX website.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:09 p.m.