



**DC Health Benefit
Exchange Authority**

**Health Benefit Exchange Authority Executive Board Meeting
MINUTES**

Date: December 9, 2020

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Via Web Ex/By Video or Conference Call Only

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Members Present: Henry Aaron, Diane Lewis, Khalid Pitts, Tamara Watkins, Karima Woods

Members Absent: Leighton Ku, Gabriela Mossi, LaQuandra Nesbitt, Wayne Turnage, Laura Zeilinger

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

A roll call of members confirmed there was a quorum with four voting members present (Dr. Aaron, Ms. Lewis, Mr. Pitts, and Ms. Watkins).

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

It was moved and seconded to approve the draft agenda. The motion carried unanimously, with Dr. Aaron, Ms. Lewis, Mr. Pitts, Ms. Watkins voting yes.

III. Get Covered 2021 Board Photo, *Diane Lewis, Chair*

Ms. Lewis stated that the District was participating in a national initiative, Get Covered 2021. A photo of the Board in their DC Health Link masks will be used as part of the social media events taking place the next day.

IV. Discussion Item

- a. Procurement of Made in USA DC Health Link Masks through two Certified Business Enterprises (CBEs) Senoda and Toucan, *Mila Kofman, Executive Director*

Ms. Kofman said that staff seeks approval to modify two purchase orders with CBE vendors, Senoda and Toucan. We want the CBEs to procure US-made masks, which are more expensive than foreign-produced ones. The plan is to send two masks to each of our individual policyholders, and to our SHOP customers, all to promote DC Health Link and the importance of getting covered by health insurance. The total approval is to spend not to exceed \$500,000. The Finance Committee has approved the request.

V. Public Comment

No public comment was proffered.

VI. Vote

a. DC Health Link Mask Procurements through Senoda and Toucan

It was moved and seconded to approve the DC Health Link Mask Procurements through Senoda and Toucan as set forth above. The motion carried unanimously, with Dr. Aaron, Ms. Lewis, Mr. Pitts and Ms. Watkins voting yes.

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

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.