

RESOLUTION

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE AUTHORITY

To establish a process for certification of Qualified Health Plan (QHP) Issuers in the District of Columbia Health Benefit Exchange.

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, §1311(c) of the Affordable Care Act of 2010 ("ACA") (P.L. 111-148 & P.L. 111-152) and 45 CFR Part 156, Subpart C establish minimum certification standards for Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) offering coverage on American Health Benefit Exchanges;

WHEREAS, §5 of the Act (D.C. Official Code §31-3171.04(a)(7)) authorizes the Authority to implement procedures for certification, recertification, and decertification of QHP issuers;

WHEREAS, the Executive Board established an Issuer Certification Process Workgroup, which included health insurance carriers, consumer advocates, and employers, to recommend a process for certifying insurance companies as QHP issuers; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer Certification Process Workgroup presented recommendations to the Board on March 7, 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Board hereby approves the certification process consensus recommendations, as reflected in the Workgroup's February 28, 2013 report (as corrected – "recertification") (attached).

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted on this ___13th___ day of _____, 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

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