



**RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE AUTHORITY**

**To adopt recommendations establishing standard qualified health plans at each of the four metal level tiers for plan year 2021, plus a standard HSA compatible plan at the bronze level.**

**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**, §1301(a)(1)(C)(ii) of the ACA requires QHP issuers to offer one silver-level and one gold-level plan at a minimum;

**WHEREAS**, D.C. Official Code §31-3171.09(5)(B)(i) requires QHP issuers to offer one at least one bronze plan;

**WHEREAS**, 45 C.F.R. §155.1000(c) allows state exchanges to limit certification to those plans that it finds are in the best interest of qualified individuals and employers and 45 C.F.R. §156.200(d) allows state exchanges to require additional certification requirements beyond the federal minimums;

**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 QHPs;

**WHEREAS**, on March 22, 2013, the Executive Board adopted a Resolution to develop standardized benefit plans (benefits and cost-sharing) at each of the four metal level tiers based on input from consumers, employers, carriers, and based on early purchase preferences;

**WHEREAS**, on November 12, 2014, the Executive Board adopted a Resolution setting standard plans at all four metal level tiers for Plan Year 2016;

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2015, the Executive Board adopted consensus recommendations to modify the standard Bronze plan to be consistent with the 2016 Plan Year Actuarial Calculator released by the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight;

**WHEREAS**, on April 6, 2016, the Executive Board adopted a Resolution modifying the standard plans at all four metal level tiers for Plan Year 2017;

**WHEREAS**, on February 8, 2017, the Executive Board adopted a Resolution modifying the standard plans at all four metal level tiers, plus an HSA-compatible bronze plan for Plan Year 2018;

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2018, the Executive Board adopted a Resolution modifying the standard plans at the gold, silver and bronze copay levels for Plan Year 2019;

**WHEREAS**, on February 13 and May 8, 2019, the Executive Board adopted a Resolution modifying the standard plans at the gold, silver and bronze copay levels for Plan Year 2020;

**WHEREAS**, the draft federal actuarial value calculator for Plan Year 2021 was issued December 20, 2019, requiring that the standard plans be run through it for 2021 compliance;

**WHEREAS**, the working group met on February 5 and February 14, 2020 by conference call;

**WHEREAS**, the working group came to consensus on the modifications required to make the gold, silver, bronze copay and bronze HSA-compatible standard plans compliant with the 2021 draft federal actuarial value calculator;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Executive Board hereby approves the following recommendations from the Standard Plans Advisory Working Group:

The Executive Board adopts standard plans for DC Health Link at the platinum, gold, silver, bronze copay and bronze HSA-compatible metal level tiers for 2021 as set forth in the *Recommendations of the Standard Plans Advisory Working Group to the District of Columbia Health Benefit Exchange Authority*, dated March 27, 2020.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution was adopted on this 1st day of April 2020, by the Executive Board of the District of Columbia Health Benefit Exchange Authority in an open meeting.

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

April 1, 2020  
Date