



**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 2018, including 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 2015;

**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**, the federal actuarial value calculator for Plan Year 2018 was issued in late 2016, requiring that the standard plans be run through it for 2018 compliance;

**WHEREAS**, the working group met on September 21 and 29, October 13, November 16 and 30, and December 14, 2016 by conference call;

**WHEREAS**, the working group came to consensus on the modifications required to make the standard plans compliant with the 2018 federal actuarial value calculator;

**WHEREAS**, the working group also came to consensus on adding a requirement that an additional standard plan offering should be made at the bronze level that is an HSA-compatible plan;

**WHEREAS**, the Insurance Market Committee of the Board met to discuss a non-consensus item on whether to require the offering of an HSA-compatible plan at the gold level;

**WHEREAS**, the Insurance Market Committee of the Board met January 12 and February 1, 2017 and came to consensus that the gold HSA-compatible plan be tabled since the two individual market carriers agreed to offer them voluntarily in the individual market for plan year 2018;

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

The Executive Board adopt standard plans for DC Health Link at the platinum, gold, silver and bronze metal level tiers for 2018 as set forth in the [\*Report of the Standard Plans Advisory Working Group to the District of Columbia Health Benefit Exchange Authority\*](#), dated January 9, 2016, [\*Attachment One\*](#).

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution was adopted on this 8th day of February 2017, by the Executive Board of the District of Columbia Health Benefit Exchange Authority in an open meeting.

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

February 8, 2017

Date