

Health Industry Advisory Committee Meeting

- > **date:** Thursday, December 11, 2014
- > **building:** UCare, 500 Stinson Boulevard NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413
- > **time:** 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- > **members in attendance:** Forrest Flint – Vice Chair, Andrew McCoy, Barbara Zwiener, Charles Sawyer, Christopher Johnson, David Dziuk, Ghita Worcester, Kenneth Bence, Melissa Larson, Samuel Boadu, Stacey Ko; Aaron Sinner – Board and Federal Relations Specialist, Debby Dill – Board and Federal Relations Coordinator
- > **members unable to attend:** Reuben Moore – Chair, Thompson Aderinkomi – Board Member, Harlan Johnson, Heidi Michaels, Jonathan Watson, Michael Scandrett

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Welcome – Previous Meeting Recap & Agenda Review

Forrest Flint, Vice Chair

The meeting was called to order at 2:36 p.m. by Forrest Flint.

Forrest thanked Ghita Worcester and UCare for the use of the conference room and thanked Stacey Ko for the delicious treats.

Motion: David Dziuk moved to approve the [agenda](#). Chris Johnson seconded. All were in favor and the agenda was approved.

Motion: Ken Bence moved to approve the [draft November meeting minutes](#). Ghita seconded. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Welcome MNSure Advisory Committee New Members

Forrest Flint, Vice Chair

Forrest welcomed the new members to the Advisory Committee and asked them to introduce themselves.

Board Update

Thompson Aderinkomi – Board Representative

There was not an update as Thompson Aderinkomi was unable to attend.

Ken gave a recap of the recommendation presentation at the Board meeting on December 3rd. He reported the recommendation was well-received and the Board seemed pleased with it.

Preparing for Active Purchaser

Forrest Flint, Vice Chair

Forrest asked if everyone on the Committee received the email from Thompson, and if there were any questions or concerns.

The Board Market Development Work Group, consisting of Thompson, Board Chair Brian Beutner, and Kathryn Duevel will be reaching out to various organizations for ideas on how to improve the MNSure marketplace offerings for the 2016 plan year.

There was quite a bit of discussion about MNSure systems and operations. Some of the Committee members suggested market development should wait until the system has been fully functional and stable for a complete Open Enrollment period.

Ghita suggested having an actuary from the Department of Commerce come in to speak to the Committee regarding the flexibilities and possibilities within the constraints of each metal level.

The Committee also discussed different areas upon which it might focus its energies, such as consumer choice, keeping premiums low, and how to help MNSure be successful overall.

Some Committee members expressed concerns around the processing of enrollment files and the need for the health plans to receive accurate files from MNSure in a timely manner.

Committee members also discussed the need for better tools for consumers within the MNSure system, such as product comparison tools, decision-making assistants, and increased choice.

There was also discussion related to the challenges created by multi-state plans, which members reported are not subject to state-level regulations.

Some Committee members felt any discussion should be in response to the 2017 marketplace, and did not feel there was enough time to implement market development ideas for the 2016 marketplace.

Industry Updates & Adjourn

Committee Members

The Committee members each gave a brief statement about what was happening in their industry.

David moved to adjourn. Ken seconded. There were no objections, and the meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.