



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION
OFFICE OF GROUP BENEFITS



OGB ESTIMATING CONFERENCE MINUTES

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

10:00 AM

1201 North Third Street

Thomas Jefferson Room A/B 1-136

Baton Rouge, LA 70802

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Roll Call

Connie Nelson	Present	Chas Nichols	Present
Bill Guerra	Present	Mei Su	Absent
Manfredo Dix	Present		
- II. Approval of Minutes from March 15, 2021 Meeting
 - a. Motion to approve minutes made by Chas Nichols and seconded by Manfredo Dix. Minutes were approved unanimously.
- III. Approval of Minutes from March 18, 2021 Meeting
 - a. Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. Nichols and seconded by Mr. Dix. Minutes were approved unanimously.
- IV. Public Comment
 - a. There were no public comments.
- V. Financial Update
 - a. Colonel David Couvillon updated the committee on OGB's financial status and projections for fiscal years 2021 - 2025.
 - i. Mr. Dix asked for the reason for the \$289.6 million projection for June 2021.
 1. Col. Couvillon stated that OGB is anticipating increased medical claims as plan members begin to seek medical attention that was delayed due to COVID.
 - ii. Col. Couvillon explained that the medical loss ratio is what you are paying versus what you are collecting. He stated that we want to maintain a 100% ratio.
 1. Mr. Nichols wanted to be sure he was understanding the medical loss ratio and asked which side of the 100% is the good side and which is the bad side.
 - a. Col. Couvillon stated with the loss ratio, a higher number means we are spending more than we are taking in. The low side is the good side.

- iii. Col. Couvillon pointed out that OGB's operational expenditures are at 1% which is relatively low in the industry. The 1% includes salaries.
- iv. Mr. Nichols asked, if the projections factor in that OGB will provide same level of coverage and same copays.
 - 1. Col. Couvillon responded yes, but copays may change some.

VI. Contract Updates

- a. Col. Couvillon provided updates on amendments to current OGB contracts for the following: Access Health, Inc., Discovery Benefits, Inc., Buck Global, LLC.
- b. Col. Couvillon also informed the Board that the FSA/COBRA RFP was in the process of being issued.

VII. Strategic Planning Session Outcomes

- a. Col. Couvillon shared his strategic goals for OGB: stabilize premiums, add or increase benefits and maintain a standard of excellence, and simplify current programs and policies.
- b. Col. Couvillon stated that agency training will be provided to ensure that agencies and plan members are familiar with OGB systems and know all OGB's offerings.

VIII. Tracked Legislation

- a. Col. Couvillon stated that the legislature goes into session next week, April 12, 2021.
- b. Col. Couvillon provided a list of legislation that OGB is currently tracking.

IX. Member Resignation

- a. David Dillon submitted a letter of resignation from the Estimating Conference Committee.
- b. Col. Couvillon advised, per statute, that the vacancy needs to be filled.

X. New Business

- a. Motion requested by Col. Couvillon to provide the information discussed in today's meeting to the Policy and Planning Board. Mr. Nichols made the Motion that the Estimating Committee receives the information provided in the meeting and forwards it on to the Policy and Planning Board. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Guerra and approved unanimously.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mr. Dix and seconded by Mr. Guerra. The Motion was approved unanimously.

Approved by Estimating Conference Committee:  _____

Date Approved: 5/25/21 _____