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Noah Nesin *Chair*

Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board Tuesday May 24, 2022 @ 10:30 am Microsoft TEAMS Meeting

<u>Board members in attendance</u>: Peter Hayes, Dr. Noah Nesin, Dr. Julia Redding, Jennifer Reck, Rhonda Selvin, Dr. Susan Wehry (Total = 6) (*Board seat 1 vacant*)

Board members absent: None. *(Council seat 1 vacant)*

Others Present:

<u>Advisory Council:</u> Jonathan French, Jennifer Kent, Christina Moylan, Heather Perreault, Anne Marie Toderico <u>Employee Health & Wellness</u>: Paige Lamarre, Emma-Lee St. Germain

All Others: Chris Feeney & Nick Doherty

Agenda Item	Discussion;	Action/Next Steps
I. Call to Order (10:33 am)	Dr. Noah Nesin called the meeting to order.	
II. Introductions		
III. Approval of the Minutes (April 26, 2022)		Peter Hayes made motion to accept the meeting minutes; Julia Redding seconded the motion. Motion passed.
IV. Monthly Business		
a. MPDAB Goals – Dr. Noah Nesin	 Information contained in written reports; highlights and discussion noted below: Rhonda Selvin is wondering about geriatric population and making sure they have Medicare coverage? Peter Hayes suggests that a goal may be going back and looking at what NASHPY continues to do that we haven't tapped in to yet. Jennifer Reck speaks to affordability for elders being a goal, but there just aren't State policy levers to get to that. She 	Discussion occurred that the Board should consider investigating the 340B plans as they relates to prescription drug affordability. Dr. Noah Nesin states he has someone scheduled to present on this topic during the June meeting.



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	 listened on Maryland's Prescription Drug Affordability Board and they will be issuing two reports in June which will preview content that may be helpful for us. Susan Wehry questions how many people know about good RX? She believes that as this groups acquires knowledge, that they share this knowledge with other bodies. Public campaign for good RX could be a goal for this group. Julia Redding is passionate about how this group can help making Maine RX affordable – but she's wondering logistically what this group needs to be doing to get this job done. Dr. Noah Nesin responds that they were hoping that the Office of Drug Affordability would be staffed. Jonathan French states that Specialty Drug spending targets could be a focus this year. Heather Perreault notes that Maine Health data organization has a lot of the information this group may be looking for. Julia Redding suggests the group should not take on any more initiatives or education until the group has finalized spending 	Peter Hayes has volunteered to create a 10- year rolling Medicare average and Christina has volunteered to research legislative history regarding the RX formula.
b. Bylaws – Dr. Noah Nesin	target formula. Dr Noah Nesin asks the board for their thoughts on this. Discussion highlights below:	
	This agenda item was not discussed.	
V. Other Business		
a. Meeting Schedule Frequency – <i>Dr. Noah Nesin</i>	 Discussion highlights below: Susan Wehry suggests that the board meeting every other month to have the work groups within the board report out on process of initiatives. Peter Hayes suggests keeping the June meeting scheduled as is, and then move to meeting every other month. Susan Wehry and Julia Redding agree that the June meeting 	The board will meet on June 28th, 2022 and then the meetings will be moved to bi- monthly beginning in August. Julia Redding asks how the board will know who the public payers are? Heather Perreault states that the advisory council will provide a
b. Open Discussion	should still take place. Discussion highlights below:	list.
	No discussion noted.	



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VI. Adjourn (11:43 am)	Susan Wehry made motion to adjourn; Peter
	Hayes seconded the motion. Motion passed.
	Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: June 28, 2022