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Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board
61 State House Station
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Chair

Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board
Tuesday January 25, 2022 @ 10:30 am
Microsoft TEAMS Meeting

Board members in attendance: Peter Hayes, Kenneth McCall III (Mac), Dr. Noah Nesin, Jennifer Reck, Dr. Julia Redding, Rhonda Selvin, & Dr. Susan Wehry (Total = 5)

Board members absent: None
(Council seat 1 vacant)

Others Present:

Advisory Council: Kate Ende, Jonathan French, Jennifer Kent, Rob Nadeau & Heather Perreault

Employee Health & Wellness: Lilianne Ford, Roberta Leonard

All Others: Kristy Gould & AnneMarie Toderico

| Agenda Item | Discussion; | Action/Next Steps |
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| I. Call to Order (10:35 am) | Dr. Nesin called the meeting to order. | |
| II. Introductions | | |
| III. Approval of the Minutes (November 23, 2021) | | Rhonda Selvin made motion to accept the amended meeting minutes Dr. Julia Redding seconded the motion. Motion passed. |
| IV. Monthly Business | | |
| a. Bylaws - Kenneth McCall III | Discussion highlights below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Bylaws have been created yet. Will continue to stay on the agenda. | |
| b. MPDAB Report - Kenneth McCall III | Information contained in written reports; highlights and discussion noted below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendations to Reduce Prescription Drug Spending draft report was discussed. Whether a person is insured or not, the high cost of drugs is a serious threat to the health of individuals and families across Maine. | Kenneth McCall III, Dr. Susan Wehry, and Dr. Julia Redding will meet to collaborate on finalizing the report. |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendation 1: Check your plan for wasteful drugs to create a waste-free formulary. • Recommendation 2: Utilize transparent pass-through PBM contract terms. • Recommendation 3: Explore implementing a reverse auction PBM procurement model. • Further discussion was had on providing a collective report; including both short- and long-term recommendations it was agreed upon overall to simplify and combine the report for legislative review. | |
| <p>c. Annual Spending Targets – Kenneth McCall III</p> | <p>Discussion highlights below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No data developed yet. Will continue to stay on the agenda. • Further discussion took place on how to obtain accurate annual spending target data that is true to cost. Concern as to whether there is data that would be specific enough to be beneficial and include in the report was brought to attention of the Board Members. • Discussion on reviewing the numbers over a certain time period to provide a truer estimation was brought to light but will be discuss at a later date. | |
| <p>V. Other Business</p> | | |
| <p>a. Remote Public Proceedings Policy – Heather Perreault</p> | <p>Discussion highlights below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law was passed during the last Legislative session to enable Boards to conduct remote meetings with an approved policy. This policy must define when people can attend remotely. There is a draft that has been created, but not finalized. Once finalized, the Board will need to conduct an in-person hearing to accept this policy. • The current draft needs to be amended to create consistency among the other committee and will be easier to adhere to. This policy will be reviewed by the Board before brought to the group to adopt. • The Office of Affordable Healthcare has been on the radar; however, there has not been much movement. | |
| <p>b. Open Discussion</p> | <p>Discussion highlights below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No other discussions took place. | |



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VI. Adjourn (11:25 pm)

Peter Hayes made motion to adjourn; Dr. Susan Wehry seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: February 22, 2022