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STATE OF MAINE
Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board
61 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0061

Noah Nesin
Chair

Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board
Tuesday May 25, 2021 @ 10:30 am
Microsoft TEAMS Meeting

Board members in attendance: Peter Hayes, Kenneth Mcall III (Mac), Noah Nesin, Jennifer Reck, & Julia Redding
(Total = 5)

Board members absent: Frank Johnson, Rhonda Selvin & Susan Wehry
(Council seat 0 vacant)

Others Present:

Advisory Council: Jonathan French, Kate Ende, Jennifer Kent, Heather Perreault, Shonna Poulin-Gutierrez & Anne Wright

Employee Health & Wellness: Joel Hill & Roberta Leonard

All Others: Newell Augur, Kevin Bourque, Ben Chandhok, Nicholas Doherty, Matthew Guilbault, Kate Segal, Anne Marie Toderico, & Ann Woloson

Agenda Item	Discussion;	Action/Next Steps
I. Call to Order (10:33 am)	Kenneth Mcall III called the meeting to order	
II. Introductions		
III. Approval of the Minutes (April 27, 2021)		Noah Nesin made motion to accept the meeting minutes Peter Hayes seconded the motion. Motion passed.
IV. Monthly Business a. Tracked Legislation -Jennifer Reck (NASHP)	Information contained in written reports; highlights and discussion noted below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>LD120:</u> An act to lower health care costs through the establishment of the Office of Affordable Health Care • <u>LD686:</u> An act to increase prescription drug pricing transparency • <u>LD673:</u> An act to create the insulin safety net program • <u>LD675:</u> An act to protect Maine consumers from unsupported price increases on prescription medicine by creating an independent review process 	Heather Perreault will work with the Department of Administrative and Financial Services liaison to the Legislature to carry any opinions or information for the Maine Prescription Drug Advisory Board.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>LD1117</u>: An act to prevent excessive prices for prescription drugs • <u>LR1636</u>: An act to reduce prescription drug costs by using international pricing • <u>LD749</u>: An act to establish a council on health systems development 	
V. Other Business a. Mission & Vision Statement - Peter Hayes (HPA) & Jennifer Reck (NASHP)	Discussion highlights below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Mission and Vision Statements</u>: A mission statement is a short summary of your company's purpose and the best mission statements are guidelines by which a company operates, A vision statement describes the desired future position of the company, elements of mission and vision statements are often combined • Jonathan French suggested being more specific on the annual spending targets by adding Maine to the mission statement. 	Peter Hayes asked members to send any proposed changes to the language of the mission and/or vision statement by email to him or Jennifer Reck.
b. Short & Long Term Focus – Jennifer Reck (NASHP)	Information contained in written reports; highlights and discussion noted below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Short-Term</u>: Waste free formularies: eliminating wasteful drugs from plan formularies, reverse auctions: to negotiate higher value contracts with PBMs & monitor performance, and negotiating specific rebate amounts for drugs causing plan spend to exceed spending targets • <u>Long Term</u>: Establishing a common formulary for all public payors, implement 100% transparent, pass-through contracts with PBM's for lowest net cost, and changing formularies when sufficient rebates cannot be secured 	Anne Woloson mentioned asking someone from the Massachusetts Healthcare Cost Commission to speak about what has worked with their prescription drug initiatives.
c. Other State Boards (Chair)	Discussion highlights below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noah Nesin & Kenneth McCall III have a meeting scheduled with New Hampshire, New Mexico, & Maryland Boards on May 28, 2021. 	
d. Open Discussion	Discussion highlights below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No other discussion took place. 	
VI. Education	No Education Planned This Month	



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VII. Adjourn (11:50pm)

Peter Hayes made motion to adjourn; Noah Nesin seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: July 27, 2021