

STATE INNOVATION WAIVER TASK FORCE

Meeting 2
Draft Minutes

AGENDA

Date: Thursday, October 9, 2014
Time: 9:00am
Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 325
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Attendance:

State Innovation Waiver Task Force Members - Present

Beth Giesting, Chair, Governor's Office
Keone Kali, State CIO
Lorrin Kim, DOH
Edward Wang, DLIR
Daniel Jacob, Office of the Attorney General
Sandra Yahiro, EUTF
Tom Matsuda, Hawaii Health Connector
Sherry Menor-McNamara, Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii
Joan Danieleley, Kaiser Permanente
Jennifer Diesman, HMSA
Paula Yoshioka, Queen's Health System
Roger Morey, Hawaii Restaurant Association

State Innovation Waiver Task Force Members - Absent

Kenny Fink, DHS
Gordon Ito, Insurance Commissioner
Christine Sakuda, Hawaii HIE
Robert Hirokawa, HPCA
Rachael Wong, HAH

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Giesting at 9:05 a.m. Chair Giesting welcomed the group and noted newly named designees. Member Matsuda, Executive Director of the Hawaii Health Connector, informed the group that it would be his last meeting, and that new Executive Director, Jeff Kissel, would attend future Task Force meetings.

Review of minutes of September 11, 2014:

Minutes were approved as amended. No public comment.

Report from Permitted Interaction Groups (PIGs)

The purpose of the PIGs was to attend the September 19 and October 3, 2014, Hawaii Health Connector (HHC) Board of Directors (BOD) meetings, engage in appropriate discussion, and report back to the Task Force. Member Matsuda reported that on Sept 19th the board approved administrative amendments to the Hawaii Health Connector's bylaws to conform to Act 233 on BOD composition, appointments, and authority. At the October 3rd meeting the HHC BOD selected the new Executive Director. Member Matsuda's report was accepted as provided. No public comment.

Overview of ACA-related activities in Hawaii

Chair Giesting provided an overview of ACA-related activities in Hawaii, which included the State Innovation Plan, insurance changes, Medicaid expansion, and the Hawaii Health Connector. No public comment.

Overview of Health Insurance Marketplaces

Staff person Arlene Ige provided an overview of insurance exchange models that were available in 2010, and 2015 state exchange model opportunities: state-based, federally-facilitated, and other alternatives including a bifurcated SHOP-only state exchange model. Member Matsuda reported on the status of the Hawaii Health Connector including the KOKUA consumer assistance program, reporting metrics, and SHOP. No public comment.

Innovation Considerations for Hawaii's Waiver

Chair Giesting provided an overview and refresher of the federal innovation waiver provision guidance, vision for health care innovation, and approach to waiver considerations. Chair Giesting then led the Task Force in a session to identify questions pertinent to developing a health reform plan and waiver to meet Hawaii's needs, federal requirements, and the terms of Act 158.

Baseline Agreement to Adopt the Goal of Universal Coverage and Access: Member Diesman made a motion to adopt the goal of universal coverage and access. Member Yoshioka seconded. All ayes. Motion approved.

Baseline Agreement to Adopt the Goal of Preserving Hawaii's Prepaid Healthcare Act: Member Diesman made a motion to adopt the goal of preserving the Hawaii Prepaid Health Care Act. Member Matsuda seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion approved.

Baseline Agreement to Adopt a Vision: Motion to Adopt Postponed: The Proposed vision was "To ensure Hawaii residents have access to high quality care and insurance coverage in a seamless and economically sustainable healthcare system." Member Kali suggested that the TF consider a broader vision statement and identifying overall goals to guide development of effective strategies for implementation. Chair Giesting tabled the adoption of a vision for the Task Force for future consideration.

Innovation considerations: Identifying Insurance Marketplace Questions to Develop a Health Care Reform Plan

Possible waiver questions related to the insurance marketplace were presented to the Task Force. Additional ones added by members were: need for more information on reports available on the state experience, how the exchange meets the needs of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) including providing affordable individual coverage, health plan shop and compare features, promotion of consumer choice and competition, and opportunities to increase issuer and consumer participation to further accomplish the goals of ACA, identifying ACA waiver requirements vs. initiatives that meet the spirit of Act 158 on healthcare innovation that may not require a waiver, and to consider the potential value of an on-line point of sale marketplace with data from all issuers for transparency and reducing complexity for consumers.

Innovation considerations: Identifying Individual Marketplace Questions to Develop a Health Care Reform Plan

Possible waiver questions related to the individual marketplace were presented to the Task Force. Additional ones added by members were: the timeframe for Medicaid enrollment via paper and on-line.

Innovation considerations: Identifying Gap Group and Churn Questions to Develop a Health Care Reform Plan

Possible waiver questions related to gap group and churn were presented to the Task Force. Additional ones added by members were: need for data on percentage (%) of individuals receiving APTC, individual plan metal selection, tying the consumers' metal level selection to the downstream impact on the healthcare delivery system, and the need for more market research to identify needs of the gap group including purchasing habits and customer service needs.

Innovation considerations: Identifying Other Insurance Questions to Develop a Health Care Reform Plan

Possible waiver questions related were presented to the Task Force. Additional ones added by members were: the role of agents and brokers and need for input from stakeholders, availability of small business tax credit, a better understanding of the interplay between the Essential Health Benefits package and level of benefits as determined by the

Prepaid Health Care Act, research on what provisions for Qualified Health Plans may be waived to get a sense of where improvements may be made, if the Essential Health Benefits (EHB) package will be reviewed to consider alternatives that still meet the objectives of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and effects of a wider range of insurance coverage and at what price to all consumers and purchasers of healthcare.

Recommendations to 2015 Legislature and Next Steps

The Task Force considered recommendations presented on proposed contents of report to Legislature and raised questions that included how population health opportunities beyond the scope of the waiver may be considered; the need to identify metrics in order to measure outcomes, understand consumers, and observe market trends; and identifying the need for resources to develop waiver requirements (including a certified actuarial analysis). For purposes of the interim Legislative Report required of Act 158, Rep. Belatti commented the categories identified to develop a waiver by the Task Force are substantive, and a reasonable expectation for the initial report is to identify the road map ahead including identification of critical resources to move forward.

Permitted Interaction Group to Explore Options Related to Premium Rating

Member Diesman made a motion to create a permitted interaction group to explore options related to premium rating and report back with recommendations to the Task Force at the next meeting. Members of the PIG are Members Ito, Menor-McNamara, Morey, Wang, Yahiro, Diesman, Danieley, Jacob, and Giesting. Member Morey seconded. All ayes, no abstentions, motion approved.

Permitted Interaction Group on Opportunities Available for State Agencies to Collaborate on IT

Motion made by Member Diesman to create a permitted interaction group to explore opportunities available to state agencies for collaboration on IT that advances the purposes of the ACA and innovation. The PIG will report back with recommendations to the Task Force at the next meeting. Members of the PIG are Members Kali, Hawaii Health Connector, Fink, Ito, Sakuda, Yahiro, Jacob, and Giesting. Member Yoshioka seconded the motion. All ayes, no abstentions, motion approved.

Permitted Interaction Group on Recommendations on Resource Allocation for Health Reform and Innovation

Member Diesman made a motion to create a permitted interaction group to explore resource needs, availability, and allocation for health reform and innovation. The PIG will report back with recommendations to the Task Force at the next meeting. Members of the PIG are Members Wong, Yoshioka, Hirokawa, Kim, Hawaii Health Connector, Diesman, Danieley, Jacob, and Giesting. Member Kali seconded. All ayes, no abstentions, motion approved.

Permitted Interaction Group to Define Metrics to Inform the Waiver Development Process

Member Diesman made a motion to create a permitted interaction group to define metrics that will inform the waiver development process for Hawaii. The PIG will report back with recommendations to the Task Force at the next meeting. Members of the PIG are Members Kali, Fink, Lorrin Kim, Hawaii Health Connector, Hirokawa, Sakuda, Diesman, Danieley, Jacob, and Giesting. Member Yoshioka seconded the motion. All ayes, no abstentions, motion approved.

Adjourn

The meeting lost quorum and was adjourned at 10:26 am.