

FINAL
MEETING OF THE NEW JERSEY UNDER 50 MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT
PROGRAM BOARD
January 19, 2016

Board Members Present:

Steve Kane – UHC (Chair, and Market Writer Representative)
Jackie Duddy – Horizon alternate (Administering Carrier)
Crystal Wyland – Transamerica (AHIP Representative)
Tom Kowalczyk – Aetna (HMO Representative)
Ron Ouellette – Public Representative
Patricia Walsh – Public Representative
Brendan Peppard – DOBI

Others Present:

Ellen DeRosa, Executive Director, IHC/SEH Programs
Rosaria Lenox, Accountant, IHC/SEH Programs
Chanell McDevitt, Deputy Executive Director, IHC/SEH Programs

This meeting was by teleconference, beginning at 1:35 P.M. (Eastern), initiated at the Department of Banking and Insurance. Voting was by roll call.

I. Selection of an Auditor for Losses

T. Kowalczyk explained that both the Evaluation Committee and the Audit Committee considered the proposed quote from WithumSmith+Brown (WSB), which was the only quote that was received in response to the Scope of Work issued in November to the auditors under contract pursuant to T-2458. He stated that both committees recommended entering into a contract with WSB based on the quality of the proposal and the price, and not because it was the only proposal submitted. B. Peppard noted that the Audit Committee found the proposal was responsive to the Scope of Work, and considered evidence of the experience of WSB in this type of audit, and that the pricing was reasonable.

S. Kane made a motion, seconded by C. Wyland, to approve the recommendation of the audit committee and engage WithumSmith+Brown to audit the losses of the Contracting Carrier for calendar years 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015. In a roll call vote, the motion carried.

E. DeRosa explained that staff would draft an engagement contract for signature by WSB and the MSU50 Board (via Dotti Outland, as Chair), after which WSB will reach out to Horizon to let them know what materials WSB will need. She further explained that, before WSB begins its field work at Horizon, the Audit Committee will have a meeting (possibly by teleconference) with WSB.

II. Older Minutes

E. DeRosa asked that anyone who may have minutes from 2007 through 2015 forward a copy to her. She noted that DOBI is compiling a summary of the minutes for those sitting on the Board, so that everyone can have a better sense of the history and mission of the group, but that the DOBI is lacking minutes from 2007 to present.

III. Close of Meeting/Next Meeting

C. Wyland made a motion, seconded by R. Oulette, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting closed at 1:49 P.M. The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2016.