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Colorado Healthcare Affordability and
Sustainability Enterprise

Colorado Healthcare Affordability & Sustainability Enterprise (CHASE) Board Meeting Minutes

Via Zoom

Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 3:00pm

1. Welcome, 3:06pm

- Dr. Kimberley Jackson, Vice Chair, calls to order.
- Introductions are made: Mr. Jon Alford, CFO, is joining the board as a representative of a safety net hospital.

2. Roll Call

There were sufficient members for a quorum.

A. Members Present

- Dr. Kimberley Jackson, Matt Colussi, Scott Lindblom, Robert (Bob) Morasko, Dr. Claire Reed, Jeremy Springston, Bob Vasil, Janie Wade, Ryan Westrom, Jon Alford

B. Members Excused

- George Lyford, Heather Lafferty (resigned)

C. Department Staff Present

- Nancy Dolson, Shay Lyon, Matt Haynes, Kami Tam Sing, Anthony Ciaramella, James Johnston, Rebecca Parrott, Ana Roblesmontiel, Austin Wozniak, Daniel Pace, Jeff Wittreich, Riley DeValois

3. Approval of Minutes, 3:07pm

- No changes proposed.
- Janie Wade motioned, Dr. Claire Reed seconded.
- Minutes approved.

4. Department Updates, 3:08pm

- Nancy Dolson
- PHE ending in May 2023. The Department is working with providers to keep Coloradans enrolled.

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- Health Cabinet Affordability Summit registration is open, March 15, 2023. Agenda incoming.

5. Hospital Quality Incentive Payments (HQIP) Updates, 3:12pm

- Matt Haynes
- Overview of HQIP slide deck (see handout)
- Advanced Care Planning: 2023 will be the last year of this measure, retiring in 2024.
- Proposed Peripartum-Specific Modifications: recommending for 2023 that a text-entry box be included in the survey.
- Review of proposed equity additions (see handout)
- Action items: addition of 4 new health equity elements into the 2024 Increasing Health Equity measure, and increasing the points in the measure from 10 to 15.

6. Annual Report Addendum, 3:33pm

- Review of CHASE Board Presentation slide deck (see handout)
- Changes were discovered after approval of the CHASE report that there were changes made to National Jewish Health.
- The addendum and revised table will be added to the CHASE Annual Report.

7. Cash Fund Balance and Refund, 3:39pm

- The program was able to net \$35,191,185, for a total of \$98,486,173 balance in the 2021-22 year.
- The FFY22 fee refund would be \$22,104,814. Expected in the next 2 months.
- This information will be presented to the board every year.

8. 2022-23 Proposed CHASE Hospital Fees and Payments, 3:50pm

- The upper payment limit (UPL) is actually at 97%, not 96%.
- There will be an increase in federal matching funds, with an estimated \$579 million in fee savings using new methodology.
- Review of the Rural Support, DSH, and HQIP supplemental payments
- In summary, there's a \$6.9 million increase in net reimbursements in 2022-23 from 2021-22.

9. Board Discussion, 4:05pm

10. Public Comment, 4:20pm

- None.



- Board approval for CHASE fees and supplemental payments
- Janie Wade moved, Dr. Claire Reed seconded.
- Unanimous board approval.
- HQIP proposed 2024 health equity measures
- Ryan Westrom moved, Scott Lindblom seconded.
- Unanimous board approval.
- Cash fund balance and refund
- Dr. Claire Reed moved, Ryan Westrom seconded.
- Unanimous board approval.
- Annual report addendum
- Ryan Westrom moved, Scott Lindblom seconded.
- Unanimous board approval.
- All actions approved and passed.

12. Upcoming Meetings

- April 25, 2023, at 3:00pm via Zoom

13. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:26pm.

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