



Health Care Cost Analysis Task Force Minutes 07/16/21

Location: Virtual Meeting

Convened at 2:30 pm; adjourned at 4: pm.

Secretary: Carrie Cortiglio – absent. Minutes taken by Chair: Mitzi Moran.

Task Force Member		Present / Absent
Representative Jennifer Bacon	Colorado General Assembly	A
Senator Jim Smallwood	Colorado General Assembly	A
Senator Joann Ginal, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	Colorado General Assembly	P
Carrie Cortiglio, <i>Secretary</i>	Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment	A
Karla Gonzales	Colorado Organization for Latina Opportunity and Reproductive Rights	A
Kate Harris	Colorado Division of Insurance	P
Mitzi Moran, <i>Chair</i>	Sunrise Community Health	P
Monica VanBuskirk, <i>Treasurer</i>	Connect for Health Colorado	P
Dr. Renee Marquardt	Colorado Department of Human Services	P
Thomas (TR) Reid	Author	A
Michelle Miller	Department of Health Care Policy & Financing	P
TBD	Consumer representative	-
January Montano – Coordinator	Department of Health Care Policy & Financing	A
Guests: Greg Tung, CO School of Public Health; Bill Semple, Virginia Gebhart, Geoff Dolman, Patricia Rice, CO Foundation for Universal Health Care.		

Topic	Discussion	Action / Next Steps
Call to Order	6 required for quorum - 6 present.	None.
Introductions		None.
Conflicts of Interest	Task Force members given opportunity to declare conflicts of interest.	None declared.
Agenda	Mitzi presented agenda for approval.	Motion: Michelle Second: Joann Vote: Approve Next Steps: None.
Minutes	Mitzi presented minutes for 6/18/21 meeting.	Motion: Renee Second: Joann Vote: Approve Next Steps: None.



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New Members	No updates.	Next Steps: None.
Projects		
Stakeholder Feedback – Summary of CSPH Questionnaire & 1176 Stakeholder Meetings	<p>TR was not present to share status of summary.</p> <p>Senator Ginal inquired about how to navigate the spreadsheet.</p> <p>Greg indicated that due to the short turnaround time, the CSPH was unable to identify a public health student who was available to help with this work (although many were interested).</p> <p>Monica offered that there may be support on her team who could help with the summary of the feedback.</p>	<p>Next Steps: Mitzi to call TR to identify status of summary report - and if Monica’s team support would be helpful.</p> <p>GOAL: review a summary of the feedback at our next meeting (July 30).</p>
1176 Final Report – status & comparison table	<p>TR was not present to share status of draft.</p> <p>Discussion focused on the form of the Task Force report with the following sections envisioned:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. WHAT were we charged with, our limitations, lessons learned 2. WHO was on the committee, who was the analyst chosen (and how) 3. CSPH report & our COMPARISON TABLE 4. STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK summary <p>Much discussion focused here: are we charged with presenting the information only OR are we expected to share a consensus opinion/recommendation regarding the models or what CO should do next? Consensus: we were charged with presenting the data only, with a brief explanation of what it tells us. Notably, those representing State agencies could not be included in any opinion offered. If individual members wanted to submit an opinion separately, that would be fine.</p> <p>Monica shared a draft table summary of the comparison of the 3 models. Consensus: include as many of the variables (the “mays”) asked for in the 1176 bill that CSPH was able to analyze.</p> <p>Senator Ginal will work to facilitate a presentation from the Task Force to the appropriate legislative body, expecting that to occur in Jan of 2022 at the earliest. She encourages</p>	<p>Next Steps: Mitzi to call TR to identify status of summary report.</p> <p>Monica (and her team) to continue evolving the table comparison. Greg willing to offer editing support.</p> <p>GOAL: review the table comparison summary and the draft letter at our next meeting (July 30).</p>



	us to send our final report to all legislators and to release it to the media and other key stakeholders once we have finalized our work.	
Public Comment	<p>Bill Semple: Releasing the CSPH report now could make the Task Force's final report richer as a result of public feedback and comment. (Task Force members present reaffirmed the desire to hold the CSPH report until a final work product from the Task Force is completed. Discussion ensued on how to facilitate feedback after that.</p> <p>Geoff Dolman: Hearing the opinion of the people who served on this Task Force would be helpful in the report.</p> <p>Bill Semple: It is a stronger statement to share the analysis without the Task Force's opinion as that helps avoid political pressures on what members feel they can say or not say.</p>	<p>Next Steps: Task Force to identify if / how feedback would be fielded post Sept 1 when this work is finalized.</p>
Adjourn		Next Meeting: 7/30/21 Virtual.