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Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Joint Committee on Plan Structure and Design September 1, 2011 - Noon Old Jail Conference Room

Present:

Municipal Representatives: 4 members

H. Masser, Town of Enfield; B. Jobin, Tompkins County; M. Mills, Village of Cayuga Heights; B. Conger, Village of Groton

Municipal Representatives via Proxy: 4 members

Judy Drake, Town of Ithaca; S. Thayer, City of Ithaca; B. McIlroy, Town of Dryden; Don Barber, Town of Caroline

Union Representatives: 4 unit members

Chantalise DeMarco, County White Collar-CSEA; George Apgar, President; Ithaca Professional Fire Fighters Assoc. and Ithaca Area Fire Fighters #737; D. Finn, TC# Professional Admin. Assoc. Unit; J. Slater, Town of Ithaca DPW - Teamsters

Union Representatives via Proxy: 1 member

J. Bower, Bolton Point

Others in attendance:

Sharon Dovi, TC3 Human Resources Manager

Call to Order

Ms. DeMarco called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

Approval of Minutes - August 4, 2011

The minutes were deferred to the next meeting due to lack of quorum.

EAP, Flex Surveys

Ms. DeMarco asked anyone who has not returned the survey on EAP and Flex programs to please turn them in as Mr. Locey is trying to develop a baseline for what programs already exist.

RFP - Prescription Drug Manager

Ms. DeMarco reported the Request for Proposals for Prescription Drug Manager is available. A Committee has been established to review responses; members include Ms. DeMarco, Ms. Jobin, Ms. Drake, and Ms. Kippola. The document is also available on the Consortium's website.

Ms. DeMarco said discussion on the Medicare supplement is continuing and Mr. Locey is compiling information. She said some questions were raised after the last Board meeting with regard to what the intent is with a Medicare supplement design. She clarified it is not to take anyone who is a current retiree and shift them in that direction. It is more about offering something to retirees who currently have no coverage or who cannot afford to continue their current coverage.

Rescheduling of October Meeting

Ms. DeMarco said she is not available the first week in October and proposed the meeting date be changed to October 13th. All members present agreed to this date change.

Discussion of Quorum

There continue to be an issue with reaching quorum for meetings; however, Ms. DeMarco said a number of proxies were received for this meeting and noted many are different people from past meetings. Ms. Pottorff was asked to request a read-receipt on e-mails of the agenda.

Announcement of Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

Ms. DeMarco announced the Strategic Planning Committee will meet on September 26th at 4 p.m. and will begin discussing analyzing claims data.

Chair's Report

Ms. DeMarco reported last week she, Mr. Barber, and Mr. Locey sat on a panel through the State Comptroller's Office on strategies to navigate the property tax cap. It went very well and there was a lot of interest in what the Consortium is doing. She also said there are a couple of municipalities that did not initially join the Consortium but are now reconsidering after receiving notice of increases that were in excess of 18%.

Website

Ms. Pottorff reported the Consortium's website is now up. All meeting information will be posted on a regular basis.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Pottorff, Administrative Clerk