

AGENDA
HEALTH SYSTEM REFORM TASK FORCE
UTAH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, October 9, 2012 • 9:00 a.m. • Room 30 House Building
(As they become available, background materials are linked to this agenda at
<http://www.le.utah.gov>.)

Approximate
Time Frame

9:00 1. Task Force Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the September 11, 2012, meeting
- Other

9:05 2. Reinsurance

The federal Affordable Care Act requires the creation of a reinsurance program to be operated from 2014 through 2016. The program is intended to mitigate the effects of increased risk flowing into the individual health insurance market beginning in 2014 and to stabilize premiums. The task force will be briefed on the sources of the increased risk, its magnitude, and its expected impact on premiums. (Note: The state may elect to operate the reinsurance program for any of the three years, based on state-specific parameters, regardless of the type of exchange model it chooses—state-based, state-partnership, or federally-facilitated. Earlier this year, the task force recommended that the state operate the reinsurance program.)

- Mr. Troy Pritchett, consulting actuary, *HIPUtah*
- Public comment
- Committee discussion/action

9:50 3. Risk Adjustment

The federal Affordable Care Act requires the creation of a permanent risk adjustment program in 2014. The program is intended to mitigate the effects of adverse selection in the individual and small group markets and to stabilize premiums. The task force will be briefed on the program. (Note: The state may elect to operate the risk adjustment program for any year, but only if it has established a state-based exchange.)

- Mr. Paul Anderton, Utah Insurance Department
- Public comment
- Committee discussion/action

10:30 4. Risk Corridors

The federal Affordable Care Act requires the creation of a temporary risk corridors program to be operated from 2014 through 2016. The program is intended to limit losses (and gains) to health insurance issuers offering qualified health plans. The task force will be briefed on the risk corridors program. (Note: This program will be funded and operated entirely by the federal government.)

- Mr. Jim Pinkerton, Regence BlueCross BlueShield
- Public comment
- Committee discussion/action

10:50 5. Rate Transparency

Beginning September 1, 2011, Utah health insurers intending to increase premiums in the individual or small group markets by 10% or more have been required under the federal Affordable Care Act to submit information to the Utah Insurance Department for determination of whether a proposed increase is "unreasonable." The Insurance Department will report on the results of this process.

- Ms. Tanji Northrup, Assistant Commissioner, Utah Insurance Department
- Public comment
- Committee discussion/action

11:10 6. Utah Health Exchange

The task force will be briefed on the roles and functions of vendors who supply services for the operation of the Utah Health Exchange. The task force will also be briefed on the exchange's new marketing strategy.

- Ms. Patty Conner, Utah Health Exchange
- Public comment
- Committee discussion/action

11:45 7. Adjourn

12:30 8. Workgroups (see notice below)

Note: Lunch is available for purchase at the capitol cafeteria beginning at 11:00. The cafeteria is located in the Senate Building, on the east side of the capitol plaza.

NOTICE

The following workgroups are scheduled to meet October 9, 2012, at 12:30 p.m.. All interested parties are invited to participate.

Combined meeting of the Insurance Market Issues Workgroup and the Risk Adjustment and Reinsurance Workgroup

Room 445 State Capitol

Medicaid Mental and Behavioral Health Payment and Delivery Reform Workgroup

Room 25 House Building (State Capitol Complex)

Utah Health Care Compact Workgroup

Room 325 House Building (State Capitol Complex)

Notice of topics to be covered and any changes to this schedule will be communicated by email to the respective workgroups. To be added to a workgroup email list, please contact Lori Rammell, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, at 801-538-1032 or LRammell@Le.Utah.gov.