

AGENDA

HEALTH SYSTEM REFORM TASK FORCE

UTAH LEGISLATURE

Thursday, August 16, 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 July 10 and July 18, 2012 meetings

 - 2. Essential Health Benefits Package**

Utah Code Annotated Section 31A-30-116, enacted during the 2012 General Session, specifies:

 - (2) *"The state chooses to designate its own essential health benefits rather than accept a federal determination of the essential health benefits required to be offered in the individual and small group market for plans renewed or offered on or after January 1, 2014."*
 - (3)
 - (a) *Subject to Subsections (3)(b) and (c), to the extent required by the Affordable Care Act, and after considering public testimony, the Legislature's Health System Reform Task Force shall recommend to the [insurance] commissioner, no later than September 1, 2012, a benchmark plan for the state's essential health benefits based on:*
 - (i) *the largest plan by enrollment in any of the three largest small employer group insurance products in the state's small employer group market;*
 - (ii) *any of the largest three state employee health benefit plans by enrollment;*
 - (iii) *the largest insured commercial non-Medicaid health maintenance organization operating in the state; or*
 - (iv) *other benchmarks required or permitted by the Affordable Care Act.*
 - (b) *Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection 63M-1-2505.5(2), based on the recommendation of the task force under Subsection (3)(a), and within 30 days of the task force recommendation, the [insurance] commissioner shall adopt an emergency administrative rule that designates the essential health benefits that shall be included in a plan offered or renewed on or after January 1, 2014, in the small employer group and individual markets.*
 - (c) *The essential health benefit plan:*
 - (i) *shall not include a state mandate if the inclusion of the state mandate would require the state to contribute to premium subsidies under the Affordable Care Act; and*
 - (ii) *may add benefits in addition to the benefits included in a benchmark plan described in Subsection (3)(b) if the additional benefits are mandated under the Affordable Care Act.*

The task force will receive the recommendation of legislators who met with the Insurance Market Issues Workgroup on the selection of an essential health benefits package and make a recommendation to the insurance commissioner, as prescribed above.

- Report by legislators who met with the Insurance Market Issues Workgroup
- Public comment
- Task force discussion and action

3. Reinsurance Program

The task force will receive the recommendation of legislators who met with the Reinsurance and Risk Adjustment Workgroup on whether the state should establish the reinsurance program required under the federal Affordable Care Act for 2014–16.

- Report by legislators who met with the Reinsurance and Risk Adjustment Workgroup
- Public comment
- Task force discussion/action

4. Utah Health Care Compact

The task force will receive the recommendation of legislators who met with the Utah Health Care Compact Workgroup.

- Report by legislators who met with the Utah Health Care Compact Workgroup
- Public comment
- Task force discussion/action

5. Medicaid Payment and Delivery Reform

The task force will receive the recommendation of legislators who met with the Medicaid Mental and Behavioral Health Payment and Delivery Reform Workgroup.

- Report by legislators who met with the Medicaid Mental and Behavioral Health Payment and Delivery Reform Workgroup
- Public comment
- Task force discussion/action

6. State Role Under Three Exchange Models

The task force will be briefed on the state's obligations and options under each of the three models for establishing and operating a health insurance exchange within the state in 2014 pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

- Staff briefing
- Public comment
- Task force discussion/action

7. Executive Branch Update

The task force will receive an update on Affordable Care Act implementation developments within the executive branch.

- Executive branch
- Public comment
- Committee discussion/action

8. Future Workgroup Studies

The task force will provide any direction necessary to guide the remaining work of the workgroups.

- Committee discussion/action
- Public comment

12:00 9. Adjourn

NOTICE: Workgroups Will Meet Immediately After the Task Force

The following workgroups are scheduled to meet immediately after the task force adjourns (which may be sooner than 12:00 p.m.). All interested parties are invited to participate.

Insurance Market Workgroup – Room 415 State Capitol

Reinsurance and Risk Adjustment Workgroup – Room 450 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)

Any changes to this schedule and notice of topics to be covered in each workgroup will be communicated by email to those on the respective email list for each workgroup. To be added to an email list, please contact Lori Rammell, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, at 801-538-1032 or LRammell@Le.Utah.gov.