

**Minutes**  
**Eastern Connecticut Health and Medical Cooperative**  
**Regular Board – September 21, 2017 from 2:00 - 3:30 pm**  
**LEARN, 44 Hatchetts Hill Road, Old Lyme, CT**

Members Present: Eileen Howley, Mary Royce, Julie Pendleton, Peter Nero, Maryann O'Donnell, Carolyn Dickey, Bruce Farmer, Deborah Martin

Others present: Lynn Nenni, Nat Brown, Richard Napolli, Tom Kowalchik, Chantel Guerkins

Meeting called to order at 2:05 p.m.

**STANDING AGENDA ITEMS:**

**1. AGENDA:** None

**2. MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes of June 8, 2017 meeting made by Mary Royce and seconded by Julie Pendleton. Motion approved 5-0-3 (Nero, Martin, and Dickey abstaining)

**3. FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT:** The 2016-2017 Yearly Financial Report, the July report, and the August report were reviewed. The net position as of June 30, 2017 was \$709,144.26. The current net position as of August 31, 2017 is \$574,386.13. A report that showed the monthly comparisons of premiums and claims paid for the years 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 was also reviewed. The ECHMC Reserve Analysis 2016-17 Incurred Claims Paid out in 2017-18 was also provided. This report shows the Total IBNR for each of the member groups.

**4. VENDOR UPDATE:**

**MAXOR:** The Maxor plan performance report for September 2016 through August 2017 for each member group was shared and information about comparative prices among pharmacies and other providers was reviewed.

**USI:** Tom reviewed the combined experience report, and noted that large claims are down as compared to this time last year. He also shared that this year, reports will focus on what is driving utilization. Dental and prescription reports were also provided with group and individual experience.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Update on Possible New Members**

Tom updated on the status of E. Haddam and shared that as of July, there is still interest. The HSA deductible for this group is on a calendar year, so any move that can occur would be on January 1, 2018. Tom will follow up.

Region 4 may have interest in prescription only, and a follow up contact will occur.

## **2. Discussion of Bylaws**

There is a need to review the current bylaw language related to membership and clarify any restrictions that would discourage new membership. In particular, in the area of membership for Rx and Dental only. This will be addressed at the October meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **1. Wellness Subcommittee July Meeting Report-Wellness Initiatives for 2017-2018**

The wellness initiative is underway for the Zombie challenge and people logging steps online. Health information sheets are provided and can be sent out to staff periodically. The challenges are set up throughout the year and we will be monitoring for participation rates with the hope of increasing staff participation. Initial feedback has been positive. Wellness initiatives will be reviewed in November and include a reminder for the second round activity that can be shared out to staff.

#### **2. Review of Pullman and Comley Invoice**

Motion to approve the invoice for payment of \$306 for reviewing the fiscal services agent agreement and document review, made by Mary Royce and seconded by Eileen Howley.

**Motion approved - 8-0-0**

#### **3. October Agenda**

Move all standing agenda items forward

New members update

Review of Bylaws regarding language related to membership

Review of ECHMC Brochure

#### **4. Next Meeting – October 19, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.**

Motion to adjourn at 3:15 pm made by Julie Pendleton and seconded by Bruce Farmer.

**Motion Approved: 8-0-0 Julie, Bruce**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Maryann O'Donnell

