

Exchange Advisory Committee

Based on direction from SB 5445 passed during the 2011 legislative session, the Exchange Board is to establish an advisory committee comprised of various stakeholder perspectives to advise the Board on policy and technical issues. The following is an approach to the Advisory Committee for the Board to consider.

Purpose

The Advisory Committee is a standing committee that serves at the pleasure of the Board. The Committee provides expertise, experience and professional perspectives on an array of issues. Topics considered by the group are passed down from the Board and requested to be considered by the Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee deliberates issues and provides comments to the Board. The Committee also makes recommendations to the Board. The Board understands that there may be varying recommendations that are provided to the Board, but to the extent possible, the Advisory Committee attempts to reach common ground among its members.

The Advisory Committee chooses a leader (or co-leaders) to develop agendas, facilitate discussions and report back to the Board. Exchange staff attend the meetings and coordinate with the Advisory Committee on Board actions and topics. However, Exchange staff do not provide staff support to the Committee.

The Advisory Committee meetings are held approximately every three weeks, and the meetings are open to the public and held at a location that allows for public observation. Additionally, Advisory Committee meeting agendas will be posted on the Exchange website.

Types of Organizations

It is recommended that the following types of organizations are represented on the Advisory Committee:

- Health insurance carriers
- Consumer advocates
- Health insurance brokers
- Health providers
- Small business representatives
- Tribal representative

It is recommended that the group not exceed 15 members in order to keep it to a manageable size.

Issues for Consideration

- Are there other types of organizations that should be considered?
- Do you want members who make up these groups? Or members that represent these groups through associations, etc.?

Nominations

Interested parties or individual Board members can submit nominations to Exchange staff via the Exchange email address: HCAHLTBENEX@hca.wa.gov. Nominations for Advisory Committee members should be submitted by **Tuesday, May 1, 2012**. Exchange staff will work with the Board to ensure a balanced and representative Advisory Committee is developed. The Board will approve the Advisory Committee. The Board will reconsider the make-up of the Advisory Committee on an annual basis.

If a member of the Advisory Committee leaves the Committee, Board members submit nominations to replace the type of organization that had been represented. Changes to the Advisory Committee must be approved by the Board.