

## **VAN WERT AREA SCHOOLS INSURANCE GROUP**

At A.M. on Wednesday, March 30, 2022, Jeff Snyder called to order the Van Wert Area Schools Insurance Group Trustees' meeting, which was held at Willow Bend. Hollie Ford took the roll call. Members present at time of roll call were Mark Bagley, Brenda Core, Hollie Ford, Todd Keller, Matt Krites, Kathy Mollenkopf, Jeff Snyder, Thomas Taylor, Ben Thaxton, Rachel Thomas, Cindy Tinnel, Rick Turner, Troy Bowersock, Michelle Mawer, and Laura Peters. Also in attendance were Ally Druckemiller, Kris Gerken, and Anne Dunn. Matt Krites had a proxy for Scot Mull.

Thomas Taylor moved and Matt Krites seconded to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2022 Trustees Meeting. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mark Bagley moved and Rick Turner approved Lori Gunderman as a replacement for Heather Sharp as a voting member for Western Buckeye ESC. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Anne Dunn introduced Jim Ahlersmeyer, VP of Physician and Provider Services at Van Wert Health, and Dr. John Sharma. Dr. Sharma plans to provide a vision for evidence-based recommendations for the consortium. Van Wert Health is ready to provide on-site services. Anne Dunn indicated that face-to-face meetings with Wellness Champions would be scheduled.

Troy Bowersock provided the financial report for January and February. 2022 VWASIG Financial Reports Actuarial service suggests that the consortium has \$900,000 in cash reserves. VWASIG audit should start within the next month.

Kathy Mollenkopf moved and Thomas Taylor seconded to approve the VWASIG plan year ended December 31, 2021 Financial Statements, and VWASIG plan year ended December 31, 2021 Actuarial Certification reports as presented by Mr. Bowersock. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Kris Gerken presented VWASIG executive Plan Cost Summary (Jan. – Feb. 2022). Around 91% of enrollment is in the HDHP (489 in the HDHP vs. 45 in the PPO). The PPO and the HDHP plans are running as expected. One HCC has exceeded \$75,000 to date this Plan year. Medical and Pharmacy claims are bit down in comparison to a year ago. High-cost claimants trend is up 19.3% but below the Anthem commercial benchmark. Non High-cost claimants are down. PMPM outpatient claims are slightly up

from last year but down from 2020. Paid claims, via PMPM, for inpatient, outpatient and professional service settings are down from prior periods, 2021 and 2020. Kris mentioned Hinge Health which is a digital platform that assists in musculoskeletal physical therapy. Our PMPM for musculoskeletal is up. Kris suggests that the consortium consider this service and will plan to discuss the customized Hinge Health analysis in June.

Kris Gerken mentioned that the pharmacy True Scripts will provide their analysis and the consortium will be able to compare and negotiate with Anthem once their renewal is delivered, late Summer or early Fall.

Ally Druckemiller reported that the self-funded employers have not received any funds as of now from the Blue Cross Blue Shield settlement. The courts have issued a Supplemental notice to allow self-funded employers to opt out of their claim submission to seek their own injunctive relief in their own lawsuit. This notice will expire on May 2, 2022 and the courts will proceed with the settlement. Huntington will provide further updates at the June meeting.

Ally shared that the ASO credit rebate, \$31.15 PEPM, are credited monthly and VWASIG received rebate reconciliations from Anthem from past Plan years, typically these true-ups are released quarterly. VWASIG is still seeing 2020 rebate reconciliations and 2021 rebate reconciliations have begun to filter in this year. The 2022 reconciliations will begin this year or early 2023. This rebate structure is part of the 3-year agreement with Anthem. 2020 – 2022.

Ally indicated that Huntington's compliance team covers the Non-Discrimination Testing Outreach. All entities have been notified in February for the Non-Discrimination Testing Outreach. Four of the six entities have completed the testing and passed.

In preparation for upcoming negotiations, Ally offered Huntington's assistance when calculating changes in benefits and impact on rates.

Ally clarified that Anthem has now embedded a vision exam per member per year. The Blue View Vision is indicated on the insurance card. No materials are covered. However, discounts under Anthem could apply for the materials.

VWASIG will need a representative this May so as to add \$5k wellness credit. Anne has attended the Anthem Pathways Event in the past.

The next meeting of the VWASIG Trustees will be Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. at Willow Bend.

Ben Thaxton moved and Todd Keller seconded to adjourn at 9:51 A.M. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.