

Committee meeting notes

Committee Name: Health Economics Committee

Recent Meeting Date(s): January 17, 2019

Achievements/Decisions:

- Members received an overview of changes to minimum sample size requirements for Alliance performance measures. These had been recommended by the Quality Improvement Committee in December.
- Susie Dade presented results from the latest Health Waste Calculator report and responded to questions from members.
- Members spoke to notable topics that arose at the State of Reform conference. Most salient was the details and possibilities surrounding the state public option. A similar discussion arose regarding the Alliance's recent Affordability conference.
- The committee reviewed and discussed research into price variation using data from Massachusetts that also explored the "actuarial value" of high deductible health plans using claims-based computer modeling.

Issues/Risks/Concerns:

None at this time

Upcoming Activities:

- David DiGiuseppe attended the meeting as a guest to consider replacing Ethan Norris on behalf of the Community Health Plan of Washington. He is Vice President, Healthcare Economics.
- Bob Perna is leaving WSMA at the end of January and will exit the committee.