

**MEETING MINUTES:
CARE DELIVERY TRANSFORMATION COMMITTEE**

Meeting of February 15, 2023

MASSACHUSETTS HEALTH POLICY COMMISSION

Care Delivery Transformation Committee
Health Policy Commission
50 Milk Street, 8th Floor
Boston, MA

Docket: Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 11:00 AM

PROCEEDINGS

The Massachusetts Health Policy Commission's (HPC) Care Delivery Transformation (CDT) Committee held a virtual meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2023.

Members present remotely included Ms. Barbara Blakeney (Chair), Dr. Don Berwick, Mr. Marty Cohen (HPC Vice Chair), and Acting Secretary of Health Policy Karen Tseng designee for Acting Secretary of Health and Human Services Mary Beckman.

Ms. Deborah Devaux (HPC Chair) was also in attendance remotely.

The meeting notice and agenda can be found [here](#).

The presentation from the meeting can be found [here](#).

A video of the meeting can be seen [here](#).

ITEM 1: Approval Of The Minutes From The October 12, 2022 Meeting

Ms. Blakeney called for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 12, 2022, CDT Committee meeting. Mr. Cohen made the motion. Ms. Blakeney seconded it. The vote was taken by roll call and the minutes were approved with three votes in the affirmative and one abstention.

Ms. Blakeney introduced Ms. Kelly Hall, Senior Director, Health Care Transformation & Innovation (HCTI), who turned the presentation over to Ms. Catherine Harrison, Deputy Director, HCTI, who provided an overview of the meeting agenda.

ITEM 2: Guest Presentation: MassHealth's 2023 ACO Program

Ms. Harrison turned the presentation over to Mr. Ryan Schwarz, Chief, Office of Payment and Care Delivery Innovation, MassHealth. Mr. Schwarz provided an overview of the MassHealth 2023 accountable care organization (ACO) program. For more information, see slides 6-14. Mr. Schwarz's presentation can be viewed [here](#).

ITEM 3: HPC ACO Certification Program: Updates and Discussion of Health Equity Standard

Ms. Harrison turned the presentation over to Mr. Mike Stanek, Senior Manager, and Ms. Kristy Helscel, Senior Associate, HCTI, who provided the update on the HPC's ACO certification program. For more information, see slides 16-30.

Dr. Berwick said he would like to see incentives for ACOs in Massachusetts to join a learning community and share their experiences with one another. Ms. Blakeney said that this was an interesting and exciting idea.

Mr. Cohen noted that there was only one piece of the standards that was required. He asked what the rationale was for not having more stringent requirements at this point. Mr. Stanek said that these

standards were viewed as a starting point and the hope was to be able to chart out a path in the coming years and to use the certification standards to move in a productive direction at a manageable pace.

Ms. Blakeney said that she was encouraged by the work the HPC was doing to adhere to its commitment to advance health equity.

ITEM 4: Schedule Of Upcoming Meetings

Ms. Coleen Elstermeyer, Deputy Executive Director, reviewed the HPC's upcoming public meetings. For more information, see slides 32-34.

ITEM 5: Adjournment

Ms. Blakeney adjourned the meeting at 12:17 PM.