Meeting Agenda – Review of Action Items

The following agenda items require board action:

3. General Business
   a. Approve January Meeting Minutes
   b. Approve Financial Statements
   c. Audit Committee
   d. Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) Strategy – Year 1
   e. Proposed Legislation excluding ACHs from B&O tax
   f. HB 2489
   g. Acknowledgement of Conflict of Interest Policy – 2018

Background for Meeting Agenda:

2. Executive Session – follow up on CEO performance review

3. General Business requiring Board Action
   a. January meeting minutes are included in meeting materials
   b. Financial Statements (will be shared after Finance Committee review)
   c. Establishment of Audit Committee or should entire Board act as Audit Committee
   d. IGT Strategy for funds from IGT Contributors for year 1 of the Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP)

   HCA and ACHs have landed on a proposed strategy for to utilize IGT contributions and find an allowable way for IGT Contributors to earn their contributions plus premium for year 1 MTP allocations (this affects dollars funding the 2017 incentive payments for the project plan portfolio that cannot be allocated until we land on the IGT strategy.)

   FOR YEAR 1 (2017) IGT funding ONLY, IGT contributors will earn incentive payments for participating in the discussions about what resources they will provide towards Domain 1 activities (workforce development, population health, and value-based purchasing) for years 2 – 5, and how those resources will be tracked and evaluated across ACHs.

   We are looking for board approval of this proposed strategy for incentives earned by IGT contributors to ensure full year 1 funding and afford ACHs an opportunity to design a meaningful future deliverable for IGT Contributors for MTP years 2 – 5.

   I’ve included in your materials the slide deck from last month should you wish to refresh your recollection about IGTs and why this decision needs to be made.

   e. Proposed Legislation exempting ACHs from B&O tax
The ACHs are looking to request a statutory exemption from B&O tax liability to allow for the maximum amount of funding to be invested in the work across the region. We are looking for board approval to proceed with pursuing this legislation.

f. **HB 2489 – Opioid Use Disorder Prevention and Treatment**

Section 17 of the bill is problematic for providers in the SWACH region. Section 17 requires EHR vendors to integrate the WA Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) into the workflows of their products sold to WA providers. The bill provides the integration MUST be done through the state’s health information exchange. See page 21 -22 of bill, included with meeting materials or accessed at: [http://apps.leg.wa.gov/documents/billdocs/2017-18/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/2489-S.E.pdf](http://apps.leg.wa.gov/documents/billdocs/2017-18/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/2489-S.E.pdf)

The state’s health information exchange – OneHealthPort (OHP) – has been very problematic and providers, the Washington State Medical Association, and Washington State Hospital Association have provided information to HCA on the failings of OHP. I’ve attached a letter from the associations to HCA regarding trust issues with OHP along with meeting notes and provider survey responses.

Most providers are already integrated to the PMP through their EHRs (EPIC, NextGen, etc.) and/or other services they utilize such as EDIE/PreManage, or the Apriss Gateway. Requiring providers to integrate with OHP will not provide any benefit to providers or patients but will allow OHP to maintain its position as the state health information exchange without addressing any of the inherent issues plaquing its use.

Additionally, providers in neighboring states are frustrated they are being asked to pay for a duplicative service when they are already submitting information to the PMP through other means. For SWACH, this can be a disadvantage as Oregon providers who do not offer services in WA will be affected (OHSU, FQHCs, etc.)

We are looking for board approval to share concerns during the upcoming legislative hearings on this bill.

g. **We will request an acknowledgement of the Conflict of Interest Policy for 2018.**

Q & A on Updates:

a. **Board Member Development**

We will be looking to form a nominating committee to prepare for potential changes upon the termination of board member terms in December, 2018. This will include a review of potential changes to the Executive Committee membership as well.

b. **Board Tracking Dashboard is included with your materials**

c. **Update on shared CITO position**

A great example of sounds good on paper but doesn’t work well in the real world. I’m glad we tried it – and I am very appreciative of Branden’s willingness to try something different, but in the end, neither organization felt its individual needs were being met.

Branden is now a full SWACH employee and we are having no trouble keeping him busy. We discontinued the contractor work which was back-filling his limited time and are within budget.
d. **Update on HLC – SWACH Merger**

The HLC Transition Committee met with SWACH Executive Staff and Jon Hersen on February 13, 2018, to discuss the status of the integration of HLC into SWACH. The group identified issues and committed to finding resolutions that honor the cross-regional, cross-county collaborative and find the best structure to support the work of HLC within the ACH structure.

The balance of the meeting will be spent doing a deep dive on the work of the Incentives and Investment Committee and discussion on the formation of this committee.

Slides for this portion of the meeting will be sent on Wednesday.