

## **BEWELLM, NEW MEXICO'S HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHARTER**

The Legislative Committee is a committee of the Board of Directors ("Board") of the beWellnm, established by Laws of 2013, Chapter 54, in the regular session of 2013. The Legislative Committee ("Committee") was established by the Board pursuant to Article 5.5 of the beWellnm Plan of Operations.

**I. Mission.** The Committee is established to monitor existing statutes, legislation, and legislative activities that may affect beWellnm.

### **II. Committee Functions.**

**A. Monitoring of Proposed Legislation and Legislative Activities.** The Committee shall monitor and analyze proposed legislation in the New Mexico Legislature that may impact beWellnm. The Committee shall review all requests for information (i.e. agency bill analyses requests) that the Exchange receives in regards to such legislation.

**B. Review of Existing Statues.** Periodically, the CEO and Committee shall evaluate the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange Act and other existing statutes affecting the operations of beWellnm and make recommendations on proposed changes to existing statutes, if any, which would improve the ability of beWellnm to accomplish its mission and objectives.

**C. Responding to Legislature.** The Committee shall consult with the CEO on an appropriate response to proposed legislation and legislative issues. This includes reviewing all official communications from beWellnm to the legislature. The Committee shall include the Board in these consultations as appropriate.

**D. Reporting.** The Committee shall report to the Board as appropriate about Committee activities and consultations with the CEO.

### **III. Membership**

**A. Committee Membership and Appointment.** The Committee shall consist of up to six beWellnm Board members as appointed by the Chair of the Board. The Chair of the Board shall designate one Committee member as Chair of the Committee. The Chair of the Committee shall designate one Committee member to serve as Vice-Chair.

### **IV. Committee Meetings**

**A. Frequency.** The Committee should meet at least once during the annual session of the New Mexico legislature. Additional meetings will be scheduled as needed to fulfill the Committee's functions as outlined in Section II of this charter.

**B. Meeting Structure and Open Meetings Law.** Meetings of the Legislative Committee shall be open to the public, unless the Chair of the Committee determines, at the Chair's discretion, the meeting should be closed. Notice of a Committee meeting shall be given to the extent practicable. If possible,

the Committee shall post on the beWellnm website the time and place of the meeting and the agenda or matters to be discussed. If the Committee meets for the purpose of taking final action or formulating public policy, and not in an advisory capacity in which it develops recommendations for Board approval, the Committee shall hold its meetings in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the Board's Open Meetings Act Resolution.

## **V. Annual Evaluation**

**A. Charter Effectiveness.** The Committee shall review the effectiveness of this Charter each year and share any recommended changes with the Executive Committee and Board.