

BEWELLM, NEW MEXICO'S HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE RESEARCH AD HOC COMMITTEE CHARTER

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

I. Mission. The mission of the Research Committee is to encourage, oversee, and analyze research activities in order to offer recommendations to the Board to facilitate the mission of the beWellnm to enroll qualified New Mexicans in health insurance coverage through beWellnm and to improve the collective health and well-being of New Mexicans by facilitating better access to competitive, affordable, high-quality, and timely medical care.

II. Committee Functions.

A. Research studies. The Research Committee shall explore opportunities to perform research studies as considered helpful to the mission of beWellnm. The Research Committee shall assist beWellnm in procuring outside research services, if desirable, through competitive procurement processes; acquiring data that is accessible to beWellnm in accordance with federal and state rules and guidelines, with particular reference to HIPAA and ACA; and developing research goals.

B. Interface with Researchers. The Research Committee shall participate in the management and direction of any research projects. The Research Committee shall designate at least one Research Committee member to interface with the researchers and stay apprised of research progress and deliverables and report on the research periodically to the Board.

C. Recommendations to beWellnm Board. The Research Committee shall evaluate beWellnm research and prepare recommendations to the Board based on the research to improve the services provided by the beWellnm to the people of New Mexico.

III. Membership

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

IV. Committee Meetings

A. Frequency. The Research Committee should meet at least semi-annually, but may meet more frequently, particularly when active research is in progress.

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

practicable. If possible, the Research Committee shall post on beWellnm website the time and place of the meeting and the agenda or matters to be discussed. If the Research 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 Research 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 Research Committee shall review the effectiveness of this Charter each year and share any recommended changes with the Executive Committee and Board.