OHIO SENATE Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee Minutes September 22nd, 2016 Committee 131st General Assembly

Chair Burke called the meeting of the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee to order at 9:08 AM. A quorum was not present and the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee operated as a subcommittee.

The subcommittee received a presentation from Dr. Richard Shonk with the Health Collaborative on value-based insurance design. Dr. Shonk received questions from Sen. Jones and Sen. Tavares.

A quorum being present, the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committed operated as a full committee for the remainder of the meeting, and the minutes from the June committee meeting were approved without objection. The committee stood at ease at 9:45 AM for 5 minutes.

The committee then received testimony on the Behavioral Health redesign process from Tracy Plouck, Director of the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and a panel which included: Hugh Wirtz, CEO of The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers; Nicholas Rees, President and CEO of The Buckeye Ranch; Leigh Johnson, representing the BASIC consortium of Ohio's children's behavioral health providers; Jonathan Lee, CEO of Signature Health; Nelson Burns, President and CEO of Coleman Professional Services; and Jennifer Riha, VP of Operations of A Renewed Mind Behavioral Health. John McCarthy, Director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid, was also available to answer questions from the committee members.

Directors McCarthy and Plouck and the Behavioral Health panel members received questions from Sen. Burke, Sen. Cafaro, Sen. Coley, Sen. Tavares, Rep. Antonio, Rep. Ryan, Rep. Sykes, Rep. Sprague, and Sen. Jones.

The committee stood at ease at 12:45 PM for 10 minutes.

The committee debated whether to vote to amend the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee's contract with Optumas, LLC, to include a scope of work to review the Department of Medicaid's behavioral health payment rate methodology. The committee decided against this, and a motion was not made.

The Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee received the statutorily required report from Optumas, LCC, and Susan Ackerman, Executive Director of the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee, regarding the target rate of growth for the Ohio Medicaid program for the upcoming biennium and the calculation of the 3-year average of the Midwest Medical CPI.

Optumas and Ms. Ackerman received questions from Rep. Antonio and Sen. Burke.

Having no further business, Chair Durke adjourned the meeting at 1:32 PM.

David Burke, Chair

Nickie Antonio, Secretary