The Dirigo Health Agency Board of Trustees held a meeting on Monday, September 23, 2013. Chair Bruno convened the meeting at 8:00 AM in the Dirigo Health Agency Boardroom located at 211 Water Street in Augusta.

Board members in attendance: John Brautigam, Douglas Carr, Robert Harmon, Deborah-Hamblen-Wood, Wesley Richardson and Neria Douglass. Also in attendance: Karynlee Harrington, Executive Director of DHA.

The June 17, 2013 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Agency Old Business

Ms. Harrington reported that the DHA- HPHC contract termination date is September 30, 2013 and that an amendment to extend the termination date to December 31, 2013 was required in order to continue services through the end of the calendar year. A motion was voted on and unanimously passed to amend the contract with HPHC to extend the termination date to December 31, 2013.

Ms. Harrington reported DirigoChoice (DC) individuals and employers are still actively renewing even for the most recent two month renewal cycle. There are approximately 8,000 members and 700 small employers still enrolled in DC.

Per the request of the board Ms. Harrington provided a handout created by the Maine Bureau of Insurance (BOI) on the factors and base rates for an Individual Bronze Plan in the Marketplace (Exchange)-for comparison she provided the board with a similar overview for the current DC plans.

Ms. Harrington reported that Western Maine Community Action was awarded a $475,000 grant and Fishing Partnership Health Plan was awarded a $66,846 grant as both have been selected by the federal government as Navigators for Maine residents.

Ms. Harrington provided an update on the partnering between the MQF and the CDC on the newly formed subcommittee on Healthcare Acquired Infections (HAI) co-staffed by Dr. Sears and Ms. Harrington. This committee plans to meet quarterly.

Ms. Harrington will follow-up on the draft legislation regarding the transition of MQF to MHDO.

It was agreed there will be ongoing discussions in future meetings regarding the longevity of the DHA BOT and its obligations and plans to continue scheduled meetings.

Lisa Letourneau, MD provided an update on the Patient Centered Medical Home Pilot (PCMH) and the Multi-payer Advanced Primary Care Practice (MAPCP) Demonstration. The conveners of the PCMH is the MQF, Maine Quality Counts and Maine Health Management Coalition. See handout of presentation.

Public Comments
None

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18, 2013 beginning at 9:00am. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 AM.