Employee Medical Benefits Board Special Meeting

Monday, June 15, 2015 @ 6:15pm

Newtown Municipal Center Newtown, CT 06470

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE EMPLOYEE MEDICAL BENEFITS BOARD

The Employee Medical Benefits Board held a special meeting Monday, June 15, 2015. The meeting was held in the Board of Education meeting room, Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT. The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm.

Present: Mark Mattioli, Paul Smith, Jim Loring **Absent:** Donna Van Waalwijk, Dan McAloon

Also Present: Robert Tait, Ron Bienkowski, Joe Spurgen, Anthem Representatives Matt Bowker and Cerina Savino, Judy Blanchard, Donna Culbert, Denise Hornyak, Clerk Pro-Tem

Sue Marcinek

Acceptance of Minutes from previous meeting: No action taken

Voter Comments: none.

New Business:

Review updated claim months of March, April, May: Mr. Tait handed out the Town of Newtown Claims Analysis (Att). Claims were reported as: March \$1,143,000; April \$1,105.000 and May \$1,183,000. As of 6/15/15 Mr. Tait's report indicates the fund balance is \$3,901,990. The projection is that as of 6/30/15 it will be \$3,171,990.

Review status of Self-Insurance Reserve Fund: Mr. Tait reported the claims total will end up the same as last year and the reserve will be roughly 25% of claims.

Wellness initiatives discussion – Anthem representatives: Mr. Bowker said there are great programs relative to health care management. Money has been approved to offset the cost of screening. There is an 800 number for registration or through the outreach from Anthem directly. Mr. Tait noted that additional programs can be funded by employee self-insurance plan. Ms. Blanchard reported that the school staff is more participatory when programs come to them. Mr. Bowker talked about the Enhanced Personal Care Program. 70% of doctors participate and will suggest programs to patients that are offered through Anthem. Some of the criteria that need to be met by participating doctors are extended office hours and additional staff for outreach. When asked by Ms. Savino, Ms. Blanchard said she is hoping to see programs for staff that address trauma/stress impact, sleep issues, weight issues and career counseling. Ms. Culbert said

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that the Know Your Numbers program has been successful and suggested tying something in with educating employees such as a 'lunch and learn'. Ms. Blanchard commented that 30% of those who participated in the screening were recommended for follow up. Anthem can track how many employees are going for annual physicals, among other things. There are many ways employees can get information such as targeted mailings, the Anthem website and open enrollment (Att). After much discussion it was agreed that the town and board of education should choose two things to focus on over the next six month to a year and offer incentives for the employees that participate.

Communications: The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2015

Announcements: none

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Marcinek, Clerk Pro-Tem

Att: Town of Newtown Claims Analysis; WalkingWorks Anthem flyer

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TOWN OF NEWTOWN MEDICAL SELF INSURANCE FUND ANALYSIS @ JUNE 15, 2015 FISCAL YEAR 2014 - 2015 FORCAST

FUND BALANCE @ JULY 1, 2014

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS:				
MUNICIPAL		2,977,000		
EDUCATION		8,360,000	11,337,000	
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS:				
MUNICIPAL		312,000		
EDUCATION		2,018,000	2,330,000	
RETIREE/COBRA/AGENCY CONTRIBU	TIONS:			
MUNICIPAL		350,000		
EDUCATION		375,000	725,000	
INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS	i		5,000	
TOTAL REVENUES			14,397,000	•
ESTIMATED EXPENSES				
CLAIMS/NAF:				
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EDUCATION			12,300,000	<<< <from analysis<="" claims="" th=""></from>
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES:				
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EDUCATION			1,081,000	
CONSULTANT FEES			55,000	
TOTAL EXPENSES			13,436,000	•
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE @ JUNE 30,	2015		3,171,990	26%
	25% OF TOTAL CLAIMS =	3,075,000		

TOWN OF NEWTOWN MEDICAL SELF INSURANCE FUND ANALYSIS @ JUNE 15, 2015 FISCAL YEAR 2015 - 2016 FORECAST

ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE @ JULY 1, 2015 3,171,990 ESTIMATED REVENUES EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS: MUNICIPAL 2,902,000 EDUCATION 10,944,000 8,042,000 EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS: MUNICIPAL 330,720 EDUCATION 2,125,163 2,455,883 RETIREE/COBRA/AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS: MUNICIPAL 350,000 EDUCATION 726,313 376,313 INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS 7,000 TOTAL REVENUES 14,133,196 ESTIMATED EXPENSES CLAIMS/NAF: MUNICIPAL EDUCATION 13,136,400 (6.8%) ADMINISTRATIVE FEES: MUNICIPAL **EDUCATION** 1,095,000 CONSULTANT FEES 55,000

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TOTAL EXPENSES

ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE @ JUNE 30, 2016

TOWN OF NEWTOWN MEDICAL SELF INSURANCE FUND ANALYSIS @ JUNE 15, 2015 FISCAL YEAR 2014 - 2015 FORCAST

FUND BALANCE @ JULY 1, 2014	2,210,990	
REVENUES: JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 15, 2015		
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	11,337,000	
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	2,319,000	
RETIREE/COBRA/AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS	698,000	
INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS	4,000	
TOTAL REVENUES	14,358,000	-
EXPENSES: JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 15, 2015		
CLAIMS/NAF	11,531,000	
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	1,081,000	
CONSULTANT FEES	55,000	
TOTAL EXPENSES	12,667,000	-
FUND BALANCE @ JUNE 15, 2015	3,901,990	.
ESTIMATED REVENUES: JUNE 15, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2015		
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	_	
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	11,000	
RETIREE/COBRA/AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS	27,000	
INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS	1,000	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	39,000	-
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ESTIMATED EXPENSES: JUNE 15, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2015		
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ADMINISTRATIVE FEES		
CONSULTANT FEES	*	
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES	769,000	-
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE @ JUNE 30, 2015	3,171,990	- -



WalkingWorks.

Motivate employees to be physically active through a fun, easy and engaging program



Less than 5% of Americans participate in 30 minutes of physical activity each day and only one in three adults receive the recommended amount of physical activity each week. WalkingWorks addresses this issue by providing a simple, fun way for employees to initiate a regular exercise program.

1. U.S. Department of Health and Haniah Services Healthy People 2010. http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/ healthy_people/hp2010.htm WalkingWorks* is an employee wellness/physical activity program developed by Blue Cross Blue Shield in cooperation with the President's Council of Physical Fitness and Sports. The program motivates employees to incorporate physical activity into their daily lives. It offers a team-based approach that can encourage peer support and uses friendly competition to help employees reach their fitness goals.

WalkingWorks gives employers the resources they need to easily implement and promote physical fitness challenges in the workplace. A challenge can be structured so that teams within worksites or departments compete against each other or all employees can work together as part of one corporate team. Individuals may choose to walk or participate in another fitness activity that works best for them.



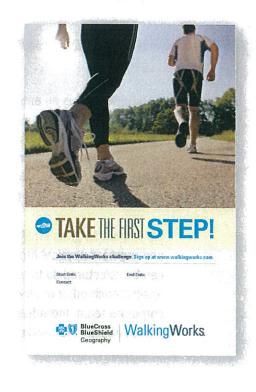


An easy-to-use website offers tools, support and tracking

Employees can easily track their activity levels and their team's progress through **walkingworks.com**. This engaging, intuitive website also provides tips that can help motivate employees to maintain their participation over time. In addition, employers can use the WalkingWorks website to manage and evaluate the program's overall performance. For example, reports are available to track overall team and individual program performance.

WalkingWorks is highly customizable based on the needs of each employer and its workforce. It can be integrated into existing wellness efforts or used as a stand-alone initiative. We provide all the tools and resources needed to quickly and easily implement the program including marketing and promotional materials, user guides and access to the WalkingWorks website.

Posters, Flyers and Email Communications:







Walking for 30 minutes a day can help individuals reduce their risk factors for heart disease, high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes, among other serious health conditions. - American Heart Association

Getting started

WalkingWorks has been used by leading employers nationwide as an easy. effective way to help employees kick-start a regular exercise program. To learn more about how WalkingWorks motivates and empowers employees to maintain regular physical activity, contact your local plan representative for details.

