

**State of Rhode Island Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner
Health Insurance Advisory Council
Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2013, 4:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.
State of Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 73-1
Cranston, RI 02920-4407**

1. Introduction and Welcome
2. Review of Minutes
3. Office Updates
4. New Business
 - Rhode Island Chronic Care Sustainability Initiative Update
 - Question and Answer Session with Steven Costantino Secretary, State of Rhode Island Executive Office of Health and Human Services
 1. Given that there is evidence that commercial payers always pay more than public payers, (though not always the same amount more), do you believe that there is a cost shift from Medicaid to the commercial market?
 2. Given that there have been significant regulatory efforts toward payment reform in the commercial market (e.g., the Affordability Standards) and that the Medicaid program has been moving populations into managed care, how do you believe alignment between these efforts to accelerate the progress of payment reform could be best achieved?
 3. Given that the goal of the state's recent [Medicaid 1115 Waiver Demonstration Extension Request](#) is to make the state's Medicaid program a more cost-effective and sustainable investment, what ideas from the request do you believe could be best applied to the commercial market to achieve the same goal?
 4. Given that the goal of Medicaid's [Communities of Care](#) program is to improve health outcomes by helping beneficiaries address their health care needs by reducing avoidable or inappropriate emergency room use, what are the features of the program do you believe could be best applied to the commercial market to achieve the same goal?
5. Other Business
 - Public Comments
6. Next Meeting
 - May 21, 2013, 4:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., State of Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 73-1, Cranston, RI 02920-4407
 - Topics: 2013 rate review process update, Administrative Simplification Workgroup update