

**NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
Board of Managers – Planning Committee
Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 5:30 PM**

Agenda

1. Call to Order.
2. Establishment of Quorum.
3. Public Comment.
4. Approve minutes of Planning Committee meeting:
 - A. Regular Meeting of July 23, 2013. (***ACTION***)
5. Recommend approval and confirmation of Nueces County Commissioners Court's nomination of Mr. Richard L. Bowers to the Christus Spohn Health System Board of Trustees for a three-year term ending December 2016. (***ACTION***)
6. Recommend amendment of Nueces Aid Program's Eligibility Guidelines Policy No. NA002, Attachment 4, Section F relating to Program Household Income Guidelines effective April 1, 2014; amendments relate to federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148 (Act):
 - A. Amend Paragraph 3 to reduce upper limit of Program's Eligibility Income Guidelines for Financial Assistance (Gross Household Income Table) from 150% to 138% (133% plus 5% of individual's income disregarded) of Federal Poverty Guidelines, reduction due to availability of cost-sharing and/or premium subsidies; and
 - B. Add new Paragraph 4 relating to Eligibility Income Guidelines for Financial Assistance and requiring hardship exemption (exemption from personal responsibility requirements) for Program applicant income levels between 101% and 138% of Federal Poverty Guidelines; hardship exemption described under Act, Section 1311(d)(4)(H) and admissible demonstration of hardship exemption via:
 - 1) Health Insurance Marketplace Exchange website (<http://www.healthcare.gov>) operated by the U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services;
 - 2) Subsidy Calculator for Premium Assistance for Coverage in Exchanges website (<http://kff.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator/>) operated by the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation; or
 - 3) Other publicly-available website(s) as may be designated from time-to-time by the Administrator. (***ACTION***)

7. Recommend authorizing the Administrator to temporarily modify and/or postpone any or all portions of the Policy No. NA002 amendments approved under Agenda Item 6.B. above for reasonable cause taking into account the ongoing interpretation, implementation, and/or application of related portions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148 and state law. (***ACTION***)
8. Recommend ratification of award of RFP No. 2013-02 for Pharmacy Benefit Administrative Services and related Agreement. (***ACTION***)
9. Recommend amendment of Enrollment Department Policy No. ED004 relating to Administrative Disqualification Hearings and Appeals; Amendment updates general Policy statement, expands Rules & Procedure section, and revises related Policy attachments; and amendment effective February 19, 2014. (***ACTION***)
10. Receive providers' reports relating to certain Indigent Care Affiliation Agreements associated with the Hospital District's participation in the Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program Medicaid 1115 Waiver:
 - A. Christus Spohn Hospitals (Joint Report): Alice, Beeville, and Kleberg: June 30, 2013; September 30, 2013; and December 31, 2013 ;
 - B. Corpus Christi Medical Center: June 30, 2013;
 - C. DeTar Healthcare System: June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2013; and
 - D. Driscoll Children's Hospital: June 30, 2013; September 30, 2013; and December 31, 2013. (***INFORMATION***)
11. Adjourn.

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