

Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange Brief Update

Administrative Structure: Significant time spent in February and March in researching, processing and standing up the actual entity structure e.g. payroll service, personnel practices and bylaws, bank account, accounting and financial processes, etc. We have been working with Jeffers Cowherd, a contractor procured under level one to assist us with this work. We hope to be able to be a stand-alone agency by April 1, 2012.

Business Operations/ IT systems and Consumer Assistance: KPMG's contract was finalized in mid February and work has begun with requirements gathering and work plan refinement. They have 8 in house consultants working with the Exchange on this project. The project scope can be referenced in the level one narrative that is posted on the website. In addition we will be posting KPMG's contract to the website shortly for those that want access to it. KPMG will be presenting a high level overview of their scope and process during this next board meeting.

Consumer Outreach: Mintz & Hoke has finished the initial outreach of discussion forums aimed at targeting community leaders, similar to the model used for the initial outreach in April under the Planning Grant. They will be reporting on this as well as presenting next steps during this Thursday's board meeting.

Executive Search/Leadership Recruitment: Efforts are moving forward with the Fitzgerald Associates for the permanent hiring of the initial leadership team for the Exchange. The position descriptions are posted on the Exchange page of the website.

Advisory Committees: currently being established, the Advisory Committees have a kick off meeting on March 20, 2012. The public is welcome. The meeting will be to make introductions, to discuss communication strategy as well as talk specifically about priority tasks for State Certification.

Level One Supplement: We anticipate/are determining applying for a level one supplement to bridge necessary funding between our current level one and the Level Two application in June. Level one supplements have a 25% margin based on current award ceilings and can be applied for at any time. We anticipate submission in early April. CCIIO commits to around a 30 day turn around.

Level Two: We are working on the budget and all the necessary considerations for inclusion in the Level Two Grant currently and will be applying for this award in June.