Oregon Educators Benefit Board
Strategies on Evidence and Outcomes Workgroup
Revised Charter (1/12/2012)

1) Background

The Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB) was created in 2007 by Senate Bill 426 to provide affordable, high-quality health care and other benefits for most of Oregon's school district employees. Currently, 141,425 people at 237 educational entities receive their health benefits through OEBB.

In April 2008, the Board created the Strategies on Evidence Workgroup (SEOW) as a permanent body comprised of OEBB Board members. The SEOW was charged with addressing a broad range of issues related to improving members' health status through a variety of measurable programs and services, measurable goals and programs that hold carriers and providers accountable for health outcomes, and encouraging members to take responsibility for their own health outcomes.

2) Workgroup Roles

- Review and select measurements for evaluating effectiveness and quality of health care services provided to OEBB members.
- Evaluate OEBB data and measurement results and recommend needed program and policy changes to the Board.
- Review, evaluate, discuss and consider member requests for benefit changes.
- Annually review benefit design and recommend needed changes to the Board.
- **Benefit request and design recommendations will be based on the treatment effectiveness of the procedures/services with other factors taken into account (utilization, cost, etc.) when deemed appropriate by SEOW. The Oregon Prioritized List of Health Services will serve as the primary evidence source on the treatment effectiveness of procedures/services. Other evidence sources may also be utilized in reviewing treatment effectiveness.**
- Review OEBB programs/initiatives in areas related to improving members' health status through a variety of measurable programs and services, measurable goals and programs that hold carriers and providers accountable for health outcomes, and make recommendations to the Board.
- Review external programs/initiatives in areas relating to improving members' health status through a variety of measurable programs and services, measurable programs that hold carriers and providers accountable for health outcomes, and recommend to the Board whether OEBB should participate.
- Serve as a forum to discuss issues related to the health care delivery system and health outcomes of OEBB members.

3) Guidelines

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The SEOW will operate under the following guidelines:

- All SEOW members are equal for the purposes of its work and related activities;
- The SEOW members are encouraged to freely share their ideas and suggestions
- The SEOW decisions will be reached by general consensus
- Decisions made by the SEOW will be presented to the OEBB Board in the form of recommendations
- The SEOW will engage other organizations to obtain information that assists in its decision making.
- The SEOW meetings will be held in public, unless an executive session is necessary based on the requirements of the Oregon Public Meetings Law.

4) Workgroup Membership

The SEOW will serve as a collaborative body comprised of Board members with assistance and support from OEBB staff and consultant, as well as carrier representatives with responsibility over health benefits and care delivery systems.

a) SEOW Board Members

Name	Affiliation
Steve McNannay, Chair	OEBB Board Member
Ron Gallinat	OEBB Board Member
Alison Little, M.D.	OEBB Board Member

b) SEOW Staff and Consultant Representatives

Name	Affiliation
Glenn Baly	OEBB Program/Policy Analyst
Denise Hall	OEBB Deputy Administrator
Joan Kapowich	PEBB/OEBB Administrator
Geoff Brown	Towers Watson

c) SEOW Carrier Advisors (Medical Directors/Quality Oversight Representatives)

Kaiser Health Plans	Reliant Behavioral Health
ODS Companies	Standard Insurance
Providence Health Plans	

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