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Universal Health Plan Governance Board (UHPGB) Values and Principles Work Group
Wednesday, June 5, 2024
Minutes

Web link to the meeting video: [Values and Principles Work Group recording](#)

Web link to the meeting materials:

- [Agenda](#)
- [PowerPoint presentation](#)

Welcome remarks:

Jennifer Donovan, senior policy advisor to the Universal Health Plan Governance Board, welcomed work group members and the viewing public and reminded attendees of the following:

- Work group meetings are not open to public comment; however, public comment is encouraged for board meetings. ([Refer to the board's public comment policy.](#))
- Work groups are a chance for members of the board to further discuss specific topics. No decisions are made in work group sessions on behalf of the board. In this case, the work group will work together on a proposal for values and principles to present to the board.

Board members present:

Vice-Chair Warren George, Amy Fellows, Chunhuei Chi, Debra Diaz and Michelle Glass
Staff members present: Senior Policy Advisor Jennifer Donovan and Executive Assistant Katy DeLuca

Scope of the UHP's Governance Board roles:

Jennifer Donovan reviewed the scope of the board's work as it is laid out in legislation for the UHPGB, in Senate Bill 1089.

Over arching principle branches:

Vice-Chair George began the work group discussion by asking if any additional principles should be added to the proposed additions agreed upon in the last session: promote health maximization, fair distribution, and protection against poverty. After group discussion, the following principles and sub points were agreed to be added:

- Community governance
 - Balancing use of community resources
 - Sustainability
 - Transparency
 - Accountability
 - Access
 - Community ownership
- Account for and mitigate the role of bias in decision making

The following suggestions and next steps were agreed upon:

- Debra Diaz volunteered to share the resources she found in relation to alternative options to QALY (Quality Adjusted Life Years). Those have been posted [here](#).
- The group agreed that they will recommend to the board the adoption of OHA's definition of 'health equity' as a value that drives the board's work.
- When speaking about 'health maximization', the group came to the consensus that some type of citizen jury will be incorporated.
- As it relates to 'protection against poverty' the wording needs to be changed to make this principle explicitly related to healthcare, i.e. 'protection against poverty/financial hardship due to healthcare costs.
- Vice-Chair George and Jennifer Donovan will combine all feedback into one document and share with the work group to review for final recommendations to the board. Final review will occur in next week's session.

Adjourn:

Principles and Values Work Group Session 2 is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 10 a.m. [Register](#) in advance to attend.