

New Hampshire Insurance Department (NHID)
Public Hearing Concerning Premium Rates in the Health Insurance Market
RSA 420-G:14-a, V
Friday, October 31, 2014
8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
University of New Hampshire School of Law
2 White Street, Concord, NH

The New Hampshire Insurance Department will host its annual public hearing on health care costs and payment systems from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, October 31, 2014, at the University of New Hampshire School of Law in Concord.

According to state law, the Insurance Commissioner “shall hold an annual public hearing concerning premium rates in the health insurance market and the factors, including health care costs and cost trends, that have contributed to rate increases during the prior year.”

The hearing is open to the public, and live streaming of the event is planned. The health insurance consulting firm Gorman Actuarial will discuss the major findings from the 2013 data submitted by health insurance companies in New Hampshire in preparation for the hearing. Compass Health Analytics and the University of Massachusetts Center for Health, Law and Economics will present provider payment reform recommendations for New Hampshire. Two moderated panels will cover the topics of health plan product design, networks, and the transparency of costs, as well as a discussion of provider payment reform and consolidation. A public comment period will follow the second panel (hearing agenda is below).

Please register in advance: Updates will be provided to registrants by email as the hearing date approaches. To register, please send an email to Danielle.Barrick@ins.nh.gov and include contact information and whether you plan to attend in person or remotely.

Agenda

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| 8 a.m. | Coffee |
| 8:30 a.m. | Introductions and Opening Statement
<i>Roger Sevigny, Commissioner NHID</i> |
| 8:40 a.m. | Preliminary Report on Health Care Cost Trend Drivers
<i>Gorman Actuarial</i> |
| 9:15 a.m. | Panel: Product Design, Networks, and Transparency of Costs
<i>Moderator: Thomas Sherman, MD, NH House of Representatives</i> |
| 10:15 a.m. | Break |
| 10:30 a.m. | Payment Reform Recommendations for New Hampshire |

*Compass Health Analytics and the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Center
for Health, Law and Economics*

11:05 a.m. Panel: Provider Payment Reform and Consolidation

Moderator: John Freedman, MD, Freedman HealthCare LLC

12:15 p.m. Public Comment

12:55 p.m. Closing Statement

Roger Sevigny, Commissioner NHID