

## REGULATORY AGENDA – June 15, 2011

**Agency Name and Address:** *Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner  
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Cranston, RI 02920*

### **PART I - Rules Promulgated *January 16, 2011 through June 15, 2011:***

Please indicate if your agency did not promulgate rules during this period, OR complete the following for each rule promulgated (add or delete rows accordingly). Do **not** include proposed rules, emergency rules or technical revisions:

ERLID	Type Filing	Title	Effective Date
6397	New Rule	OHIC Regulation 15. Discount Medical Organization Plans	June 1, 2011

### **PART II - Expected Rule-making Activity *June 16, 2011 through January 15, 2012:***

Please indicate if your agency does not anticipate rule-making activity during this period, OR complete the following for each rule anticipated (add or delete rows accordingly):

Type Filing	Title/Subject Area	Objective	Legal Basis	Anticipated Schedule	Agency Contact	Interested Parties
<i>Amended Rule</i>	<i>OHIC Regulation 2. Purposes</i>	<i>The amended rule will include specific initiatives designed to address health insurance affordability.</i>	<i>RIGL 42-14-17, 42-14-5, 42-14.5-2</i>	<i>Revisions in response to public comments and adoption by July 31, 2011</i>	<i>Lori Mello 462-9639</i>	<i>Participants in RI health care system.</i>
<i>Amended rule</i>	<i>OHIC Regulation 11. Small Employer Health Insurance Availability</i>	<i>The amended rule will reflect the current rate review process, and streamline and clarify the reporting process.</i>	<i>RIGL 42-14-17, 14-14-5, 27-50-11</i>	<i>Revisions in response to public comments and adoption by July 31, 2011</i>	<i>Lori Mello 462-9639</i>	<i>Participants in RI health care system.</i>

<i>New rule</i>	<i>OHIC Regulation 12. Large Group Health Insurance</i>	<i>The new rule will establish standards and procedures for the large group market similar to those adopted for the small employer market.</i>	<i>RIGL 42-14-17, 14-14-5, 27-18.6-9</i>	<i>Notice of proposed rule-making by September 1, 2011</i>	<i>Lori Mello 462-9639</i>	<i>Participants in RI health care system.</i>
<i>New rule</i>	<i>OHIC Regulation 16. Health Insurance issued to Trusts and Associations</i>	<i>The new rule will establish regulatory requirements for health insurance policies issued to RI trusts and associations which provide coverage for employers and employees located out of state.</i>	<i>RIGL 42-14-17, 14-14-5</i>	<i>Revisions in response to public comments and adoption by September 1, 2011</i>	<i>Lori Mello 462-9639</i>	<i>Health insurance carriers, trusts, out of state regulators.</i>
<i>New rule</i>	<i>OHIC Regulation 17. Minimum Standards for Health Benefit Plans</i>	<i>The new rule will update the existing DBR Regulation 23 to reflect changes to state and federal law since this rule was last updated in 2001.</i>	<i>RIGL 42-14-17, 14-14-5</i>	<i>Notice of proposed rule-making by November 1, 2011</i>	<i>Lori Mello 462-9639</i>	<i>Participants in RI health care system.</i>
<i>Amended rule</i>	<i>OHIC Regulation 5. Standards for Readability of Health Insurance Forms.</i>	<i>The amended rule will clarify and improve the requirement that policy forms be understandable to the average consumer.</i>	<i>RIGL 42-14-17, 14-14-5</i>	<i>Notice of proposed rule-making by October 1, 2011</i>	<i>Lori Mello 462-9639</i>	<i>Consumers, health insurance carriers</i>