

Professional Provider-Health Plan Workgroup

Coro Building, 167 Point Street, Providence

Third Floor Boardroom 3A

Minutes

January 23, 2005

1. Attendance:

Present: Chris Dooley, Dan Egan, Lorraine Roberts, Joel Kaufman M.D., Doris Suffoletto, Lois Booth, Charlene Denton, Steve Detoy, Fernanda da Costa, Donna Valetta, Maureen Brousseau, Bob Cambio, Holly Veta, Jason Martesian

OHIC Staff: Patricia Huschle, Adrienne Evans

Invited Guest: Sorin Davis, Council on Affordable Quality Healthcare (CAQH)

2. Review Minutes

Minutes from the 1/9/2006 meeting were approved.

3. Presentation and discussion by CAQH

Sorin Davis provided background on CAQH and its' universal credentialing data source. He highlighted the advantages to this application is that it is free to the providers, eliminates multiple applications for different health plans, reduces if not eliminates the

need to follow up on incomplete or illegible applications. Several national carriers are using the CAQH process. CAQH application is approved by JACHO, NCQA, NAMSS, AMA, AAFP and MGMA.

The group had many questions for Mr. Davis from both the provider and health plan perspective. Of particular concern was data integrity, current lack of provider compliance in Rhode Island and the potentially duplicative work for the health plans not currently accessing the CAQH data and technology. Mr. Davis also indicated that the cost to the health plans for accessing the information is standard.

4. Next Meeting

Next meeting is January 30, 2006, 10-12 am at Lifespan PSO Board Room 3A, Coro Building, 167 Point Street, Providence.