

Meeting minutes: NHWSB Data Workgroup

Date: Monday, Oct. 9, 2023, 1:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Carey Wagner

Location: Hybrid – Webex and in person in the Washington Room, Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road N., St. Paul, MN

Members present

Kim Brenne

Michele Fredrickson (remote)

Paula Rocheleau (remote)

DLI staff members present

Ali Afsharjavan (remote)

Brittany Wysokinski (remote)

Carey Wagner

Ender Kavas (remote)

Gideon Ondieki (remote)

Leah Solo

Visitors present

Brian Elliot

Tim Brady

Rick Varco

Todd Bergstrom

Jeff Bostic

Agenda items

1. **Call to order** – meeting called to order by Leah Solo at 1:33 p.m.
2. **Introductions** – members of the board, staff members and visitors introduced themselves. A roll call attendance was taken and a quorum was met. A motion made to move the visitors to the table was made by Kim Brenne and seconded by Michele Fredrickson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.
3. **Approval of agenda** – a motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Paula Rocheleau and seconded by Brenne. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.
4. **Approval of Sept. 29, 2023, meeting minutes** – a motion to approve the minutes as drafted was made by Fredrickson and seconded by Rocheleau. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.
5. **Board updates and regular business** –
 - a. Brenne gave a presentation, Nursing Facility Rate Payment Overview. She gave an overview of what services are covered in nursing facilities, funding sources, valued-based reimbursements, rate components, the medical assistance rate-setting timeline, nursing facility residence days and daily rates. There was discussion about payor sources, how census affects rates and differences between cost and rates.
 - b. Ender Kavas presented, Data for Nursing Home Employees. She gave an overview of wages by county, wage rates of health care practitioners and health care support by region, wage rates of occupations in nursing homes and workers' compensation data.
6. **Next steps and assignments** – Brenne will research more application data and will report to the board about data this workgroup has conducted. Solo will reach out to the unions and look into CBA data.
7. **Meeting schedule** – the next meeting is Monday, Oct. 23, at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Fredrickson to adjourn and was seconded by Brenne. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.