

What: Executive Committee Agenda When: December 8, 2022; 9-10 a.m. PT Where: ZOOM

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Notice: The meeting may be recorded for the benefit of the minute-taker. The WVA intends to delete the recording after the minutes are approved.

Approx. Time	*	Page	Topic/[Anticipated Action]	Presented by:
9:00-9:05 am			 Welcome & Introductions a) Notice of Meeting Recording 	J. Zell / C. Murphy
9:05-9:10 am	*	Pg. 3-4	 2. Calendar Consent Items a) Approve August 18, 2022 Meeting Minutes 	C. Murphy
9:10-9:35 am	* * *	Pg. 5-10 Pg. 11-12 Pg. 13-14 Pg. 15-16	 3. ED/AD Updates a) Provider Liaison Update b) COVID Roll-out Update c) Financial Procedures i. Vote to Approve Financial Controls Procedure Change d) 2022 Quarterly Goals Update e) 2023 Goals Review i. Vote to Approve 2023 WVA Quarterly Goals 	P. Miller / J. Zell
9:35-10:00 am			[Executive Session- Board members, AD/ED, & Outside Counsel only]	
10:00 am			Closing	C. Murphy

AGENDA

*Indicates agenda item attached



Ensuring Funds for Childhood Vaccines

December 8, 2022

WVA Meeting of the Executive Committee

Proposed Form of Votes

The following are suggested forms of votes only. They are intended to be an aid to facilitate work by individual directors and committee members.

Items under Agenda Section 2:

VOTED: To approve October 17, 2022 meeting minutes.

[To approve October 17, 2022 meeting minutes.]

Items under Agenda Section 3:

VOTED:	To approve financial controls procedure change.			
	[To approve financial controls procedure change.]			
VOTED:	To approve 2023 WVA Quarterly Goals.			
	[To approve 2023 WVA Quarterly Goals.]			

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2		Vaccine Association								
3	Executive Committee Meeting									
4 5	August 18, 2022, 2:30-3:30 p.m. (PT)									
6 I. 7	Attendance. This meeting was conducted solely by webinar. Participating in all or part of the meeting were the following individuals:									
8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 30	<u>Directors:</u> Chad Murphy, PharmD, Premera, Chair, Beth Harvey, MD, South Sound Pediatrics, Vice Chair John Sobeck, MD, Regence, Treasurer Absent: Ed Marcuse, MD, Emeritus Professor of Pediatrics, Secretary <u>WVA:</u>	 Julia G. Zell, MA., Esq., Executive Director Helms & Company, Inc. Patrick Miller, MPH, WVA Administrative Director Ashley Ithal, MPH, Senior Consultant Others: Anne Redman, Esq., Perkins Coie, Outside Counsel 								
30 31 II.	Summary of Actions Taken and/or Recommende	d								
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33	Actions Taken (votes adopted)									
34	i. To approve the minutes of the June 9, 2022	2 Executive Committee meeting.								
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36 III.	Minutes									
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38	Welcome & Introduction									
39	Ms. Zell called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m. Ms	. Zell took attendance and provided a notice of recording.								
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41	Calendar Consent Items									
42		a motion to approve the minutes. Upon motion duly made								
43	and seconded, it was unanimously									
44 45	VOTED. To any set the minutes of the land	0 2022 Enconting Committee mosting								
45 46	VOTED: To approve the minutes of the June	9, 2022, Executive Committee meeting.								
40 47	Audit Progress Update									
48		CLA) has taken over the audit from a prior CLA employee								
49		he auditor has been provided the information and the draft								
50		y the end of next week pending any other requests from the								
51	auditor.	the end of next week pending any other requests from the								
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53	Off-Cycle Vaccine Additions									
54		h (DOH), Priorix and Vaxneuvance are both expected to be								
55		They are expected to be added to the DOH providers' order								
56		vindow is open in April and October of each year. Ms. Zell								
57		mmunications plan with our payers and providers this fall as								
58	these additional vaccines are added to the FY 202	22-23 Assessment Grid. Mr. Miller reviewed the proposed								
59	communications process that encompasses vaccine	e approval through the WVA grid changes. He stated that								
60	these off-cycle vaccine additions will be a good test	for when COVID vaccines are added to the Grid.								
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62		meeting of the American Associated Pharmacies (AAP) and								
63		allow children ages 4 and up to be able to receive vaccines at								
64		ne impact to the WVA from a communications and actuarial								
65	perspective. Mr. Miller stated that it might also lead	to higher payer costs in the retail model.								
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67 <u>COVID Planning</u>

68 Ms. Zell provided an overview of options for COVID vaccine planning. Options include the WVA floating all 69 COVID vaccine costs for a certain time, setting a ceiling on the DBA amount based off of federal government 70 existing purchasing, or setting a uniform blended price across all COVID vaccines. The Committee engaged in 71 discussion about these options and agreed that implementing a blended price and assessing payers at during the 72 next WVA assessment period cycle would be simplest approach.

7374 Financials

Mr. Miller provided an overview of the WVA financial position as of July 31, 2022. The WVA began to burn
 down cash as forecasted. In July we saw the outflow of funds to the DOH at a higher level than receipts.
 Additionally, the July administrative budget-to-actuals show that the WVA's administrative expenses are
 running below budget.

Mr. Miller reported that the DOH is expected to provide updated fund source split projections in September 2022. Depending on the DOH's analysis, the WVA will either see in an increase or a decrease in the proportion of funds that the DOH asks for monthly. It is expected that the WVA will be provided with a set of projections prior to the normal receipt in November.

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86 The public meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m., and the Committee transitioned to Executive Session.

- 88 IV. Executive Session. Confidential.
- 90 V. Closing. The meeting concluded at 3:30 p.m.
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COVID Implementation Plan Overview

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COVID Planning Efforts

<u>Knowns</u>

✓ ACIP voted on 10/19/2022 to add COVID vaccines to the VFC program

- ✓ CDC directive to add COVID vaccines to the VFC contracts
- ✓ By the end of Q2 2023, the federal government will no longer pay for COVID vaccines
- ✓ Board and Operations Committee resolutions required
- ✓ Sufficient cash reserves
- ✓ Significant communications efforts required

<u>Unknowns</u>

- Firm dates:
 - CDC contract price release to develop blended assessment amount
 - Vaccine Grid effective date
 - Inventory transition dates by vaccine
- What the provider network will look like / pharmacy role
- Uptake rates given vaccine approval status, existing coverage, and hesitancy
- How existing, Federal vaccine inventory will be handled
- How waste will be accounted for
- How many providers will administer COVID vaccines that are not in the current WA DOH provider network



COVID Planning Efforts (Cont.)

Plan Details: Operations and Finance

- I. Obtain WA DOH projections (quantity and \$ amounts)
- II. Establish *WVA Vaccine Grid* amounts based upon CDC contract; model a single assessment amount for all COVID vaccines
- III. Update the financial model based upon projections
- IV. Develop a standalone COVID Assessment Grid
- V. Develop post-implementation compliance plan
- VI. Update code sets in IT platforms



COVID Planning Efforts (Cont.)

Plan Details: Communications

- I. Develop core messaging / unified lexicon
- II. Stakeholder support
 - I. <u>compliance@wavaccine.org</u> payer inquiries
 - II. <u>covid@wavaccine.org</u> for provider inquiries
 - III. Dedicated web page on <u>www.wavaccine.org/covid</u>
- III. Payer physical and electronic mailings
- IV. Coordinated rollout with WA DOH on provider physical and electronic mailings
- V. Add to OneHealthPort's home page (existing partnership)





NOTICE: COVID VACCINE ADDITION

MARK YOUR CALENDARS On Month 15, 2023 COVID vaccines will be privatized and no longer paid for by the Federal government. COVID vaccines will be added to the WVA Assessment Grid and they will be billed like all other state-supplied CVP vaccines for commercially insured patients.

There will be a new, COVID-specific WVA Assessment Grid coming soon.

Need help? Go to www.wavaccine.org/COVID.





Vaccine Assessment Grid



GET READY

NOW

Notify/prepare staff and make sure your billing systems are COVID-ready!

An updated WVA Assessment Grid will be available soon at wavaccine.org/COVID. Month 15, 2023 Your billing systems for COVID vaccines should be in place by Month 15, 2023.

IT'S GO TIME

[•] Update your fee schedules with the WVA Assessment Grid amounts corresponding to the COVID vaccines.



QUESTIONS?

Visit WVA online at wavaccine.org/COVID.

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Financial Control Procedures

Electronic Transaction Approvals

As part of automation efforts and development of increased financial controls, this document describes the WVA's financial procedures. It was initially developed in June 2020. These procedures are in accordance with the WVA's Plan of Operation.

Background:

- In the Washington Vaccine Association's Plan of Operation dated September 20, 2021, Article IV.D states: "Bank Accounts. Money and marketable securities shall be kept in bank accounts and investment accounts as approved by the Board. The Association shall deposit receipts and make disbursements from these accounts. All bank accounts/checking accounts shall be established in the name of the Association and shall be approved by the Board members. Authorized check signers shall be approved by the Board."
- 2. There are multiple control points in place to ensure that all financial transactions are authorized, generated, and documented. These points have been consistently reviewed by the WVA's auditor who prepares the annual financial statements and the governance letters to the Board and Management.
 - a. In the Washington Vaccine Association's current Plan of Operation dated September 20, 2021, Exhibit A states: "Bank and Investment Statements. Reconciled bank statements will be sent to the Finance Committee fifteen (15) business days after the close of each month. Investment statements will be sent to the Finance Committee within fifteen (15) business days after the close of each quarter. Both the reconciled bank statements and the investment statements shall be made available upon request to all Board members.
 - b. A Board vote taken on November 8, 2018 provided specific authorizations for the Executive Director: "To authorize the ED to renew, approve, and authorize all routine WVA financial transactions including but not limited to refund checks, imprest account transactions, board-authorized contractor invoices, and insurance premiums.
 - c. WVA's banking institution facilitates electronic ACH transactions that support a digital audit log stating which person initiated the transaction and which person released (approved) the transaction.
 - i. All banking transactions when possible have been changed from paper to electronic transactions. This includes incoming ACH payments to the WVA from payers and outgoing ACH payments to WVA vendors (e.g., legal, insurance, auditor, Administrator, etc.).
 - ii. The WVA's Executive Director, who is an employee of the WVA, serves as an additional financial control by electronically releasing (approving) all ACH payment transactions. If the Executive Director is not available, specific Board members can release the ACHs. Controls for outgoing ACH payments include all invoices being approved via email by the Executive Director and the ACH itself is released by the Executive Director. There is a digital transaction record retained in the KeyBank ACH transaction module. Records in the ACH module cannot be changed once complete.
 - iii. Several vendors support an auto-debit method of payment (e.g., payroll, EDI transaction fees), and an electronic receipt for these debits is retained.
 - d. Given the authorization by the Board in 2.a. above, the Executive Director has provided approval for the Administrator to sign payer refund checks. Additional Board approval was



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given on June 25, 2020 for the Executive Director and Administrator to prepare and issue refund checks without limit. To date, it has not been possible for the carriers to receive refund payments by ACH. The Administrator completes a weekly check run for payer refunds. Each check has supporting documentation.

e. The Finance Committee members and the Board Chair receive monthly bank account reconciliations along with the unaudited financial statements provided by the Administrator.

February 23, 2023 Board Approved Financial Policies:

On February 23, 2023, the Board voted to adopt the following approvals and updates:

- 1. For payment of administrative expenses in amounts consistent with the budget approved by the Board of Directors, the Administrator may initiate an ACH payment in lieu of a paper check to the payee, and the payment will be released (approved) via the banking institution's web portal by the Executive Director, the Board Chair, the Finance Committee Chair, or a Board Executive Committee Member.
- 2. For payment of administrative expenses in amounts consistent with the budget approved by the Board of Directors that require a check in lieu of ACH, the Administrator may sign the check for amounts up to \$10,000. Checks over \$10,000 require a secondary signature by the Executive Director or an authorized Board member.
- 3. For payment of the monthly, WA Department of Health funds transfer request, the Administrator initiates the wire transfer, it is approved electronically by the Executive Director, the Board Chair, the Finance Committee Chair, or a Board Executive Committee Member and documented within the banking institution's wire transfer module.
- 4. For bi-directional transfers between the investment accounts and the banking institution, requests to initiate the transfer between institutions are made via email by the Administrator and approved telephonically or by email by the Executive Director.
- 5. WVA's Executive Director's properly documented expense reimbursements will be sent to the Board Chair or the Finance Committee Chair for approval. The electronic or verbal approval from the Board Chair or the Finance Committee Chair will be sent to the Administrator, and the Administrator will initiate an ACH payment and the Executive Director will release (approve) the ACH payment via the banking institution's web portal. For other WVA employees, the Executive Director reviews and approves the expense report, sends it to the Administrator to initiate the ACH payment, and the Executive Director releases the ACH payment via the banking institution's web portal.

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Initially Approved by the Board June 25, 2020

Executive Committee Approval December 8, 2022

For Board Approval February 23, 2023



CY2022 Goals Updated 2022.11.21

WORKSTREAM	Q1	CY2022	Q2	CY2022	Q3	CY2022	Q 4	CY2022
GOVERNANCE	\checkmark	Hire HR Governance Consultant Develop Consultant Work Plan Engage Work Plan	•	Board Retreat Engage Work Plan	\checkmark	Engage Work Plan HR Policies Drafted	✓ ✓ ✓	HR Policies Approved Election of Officers and Committee Chairs Set CY2023 Meeting Schedule Publish Annual Report Set CY2023 Annual Goals
COMPLIANCE - PAYER	√ √	Payer – Second Tier Compliance Review Update Payer Check List	\checkmark	Payer – Second Tier Compliance Review	\checkmark	Payer – Second Tier Compliance Review	\checkmark	Payer – Second Tier Compliance Review
COMPLIANCE - PROVIDER	\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark	Revise Payer and Provider Guide & Provider Check List Revise DOH Provider Agreement Partner with DOH on Non- Billing Practices Maintain TIN Crosswalk with DOH Assistance	• • •	Work with DOH to Add TIN to Annual Provider Survey Partner with DOH on Non- Billing Practices Other WVA-DOH Joint Projects Maintain TIN Crosswalk with DOH Assistance	 ✓ ● 	Partner with DOH on Non- Billing Practices Other WVA-DOH Joint Projects – COVID/Fund Source Split Maintain TIN Crosswalk with DOH Assistance	√ √ ●	Partner with DOH on Non- Billing Practices Other WVA-DOH Joint Projects Maintain TIN Crosswalk with DOH Assistance
COMMUNICATIONS - GENERAL	\checkmark	Explore Interactive Web Presence Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed	\checkmark	Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed	~	Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed	~	Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed
COMMUNICATIONS - PAYER	\checkmark	See Compliance Workstream	\checkmark	Statutory Letter / Vaccine Grid Mailing Distribute Payer Check List with Statutory Mailing See Compliance Workstream	~	See Compliance Workstream	~	See Compliance Workstream
COMMUNICATIONS - PROVIDER	\checkmark	Partner with DOH on Provider Communications	\checkmark	FY2023 Vaccine Grid Mailing Revise and Send Provider Checklist Partner with DOH on Provider Communications	~	Partner with DOH on Provider Communications	~	Partner with DOH on Provider Communications



Operations	\checkmark	Maintain ERA (93 ¹ %) and ACH (94%) Volumes (Actual = 94% and 95%) Quarterly Policies and Procedures Maintenance Updates Ongoing Payer Database Maintenance	\checkmark	Maintain ERA (93%) and ACH (94%) Volumes (Actual = 95% and 96%) Quarterly Policies and Procedures Maintenance Updates Ongoing Payer Database Maintenance	 ✓ ✓ ✓ 	Maintain ERA (93%) and ACH (94%) Volumes (Actual = 96% and 96%) Quarterly Policies and Procedures Maintenance Updates Ongoing Payer Database Maintenance Annual Contractor Performance Review	•	Maintain ERA (93%) and ACH (94%) Volumes (Actual = x% and y%) Quarterly Policies and Procedures Maintenance Updates Ongoing Payer Database Maintenance
Finance	\checkmark	FY2023 Grid and FY2023 Budget Development / Set Grid Targets	\checkmark	Annual Audit Preparation FY2023 Grid and FY2023 Budget Approval	\checkmark	Annual Audit Performed Annual Review of Banking Account Authorizations / Access Privileges		

Legend: Blue = Board Task; Gray = Complete; Purple = In progress; Orange = On hold; Red = Behind schedule

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CY2023 Goals Drafted 2022.11.21

WORKSTREAM	Q1 CY2023	Q2 CY2023	Q3 CY2023	Q4 CY2023
GOVERNANCE	 Plan Board Retreat Board Member Recruitment Process 	• Board Retreat (6/15)	 Retreat Follow Up Define Board Officer Roles 	 Election of Officers and Committee Chairs Set CY2024 Meeting Schedule Vote to Publish Annual Report Set CY2024 Annual Goals Set ED CY2024 Stretch Goals
COMPLIANCE - PAYER	 Spot Checks Determine Any Payer Check List Changes 	Spot Checks	 Spot Checks July 1 and COVID Grid Adherence Checks 	 Spot Checks July 1 and COVID Grid Adherence Checks (Cont.)
COMPLIANCE - PROVIDER	 Determine Any Provider Check List Changes Support DOH's Direct Care Practices Analysis Stakeholder Relations Liaison Hired 	 Co-Branded DOH Provider Education Webinar Other WVA-DOH Joint Projects Direct Care Practice Policy Implementation Stakeholder Relations Liaison Internal Onboarding and Plan Setting 	 Other WVA-DOH Joint Projects Stakeholder Relations Liaison Plan Implementation 	 Other WVA-DOH Joint Projects Ensure Settlement Report Providers Adhere to DBA Process
COMMUNICATIONS - GENERAL	 Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed COVID Grid (Placeholder) 	 Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed COVID Grid (Placeholder) Update Off-Cycle New Vaccine Plan 	 Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed Annual Report Development 	 Monitor and Update Web and Print Content as Needed Annual Report Completed and Posted
COMMUNICATIONS - PAYER	 See Compliance Workstream Potential Mailings Beyond COVID 	FY2024 Statutory Letter / Vaccine Grid Mailing	See Compliance Workstream	See Compliance Workstream
COMMUNICATIONS - PROVIDER	 Partner with DOH on Provider Communications Potential Mailings Beyond COVID 	 FY2024 Vaccine Grid Mailing Partner with DOH on Provider Communications 	Partner with DOH on Provider Communications	Partner with DOH on Provider Communications

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