

AGENDA (Revised 4-16-2015)
HEALTH REFORM LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE

Monday, April 20, 2015
10:00 AM
Room 151, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Legislative Members

Sen. Jim Hendren, Chair
Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Vice-Chair
Sen. Linda Chesterfield
Sen. Jason Rapert
Sen. Keith Ingram
Sen. David J. Sanders
Sen. John Cooper
Sen. Terry Rice

Rep. Charlie Collins, Chair
Rep. Reginald Murdock, Vice-Chair
Rep. Kim Hammer
Rep. David Meeks
Rep. Joe Farrer
Rep. Deborah Ferguson
Rep. Michelle Gray
Rep. Justin Boyd

Non-Legislative Members

AR Surgeon General Gregory Bledsoe, Non-Voting

- A. Call to Order
- B. Comments by the Chairs
 - 1. Senator Jim Hendren
 - 2. Representative Charlie Collins
- C. Consideration to Approve the Minutes of the March 10, 17, & 23, 2015 Meetings (**EXHIBITS C-1, C-2, & C-3**)
- D. Updated Information on the Request for Proposal (RFP) Process
 - 1. Jill Thayer, Legal Counsel, Director, Bureau of Legislative Research
 - 2. Discussion by the Task Force
- E. Review of Uncompensated Care in Arkansas
 - 1. Nell Smith, Administrator, Research Section, Bureau of Legislative Research
 - 2. Discussion by the Task Force
- F. Impact of Uncompensated Care on Hospitals (**EXHIBIT F**)
 - 1. Bo Ryall, President & CEO, Arkansas Hospital Association
 - 2. Paul Taylor, CEO, Ozarks Community Hospital, Gravette, AR
 - 3. Discussion by the Task Force
- G. Impact of Uncompensated Care on Arkansas's Teaching Hospital (**EXHIBIT G**)
 - 1. Dan Rahn, M.D., Chancellor, University of Arkansas of Medical Sciences (UAMS)
 - 2. Roxane Townsend, M.D., Vice Chancellor, Clinical Programs, CEO, UAMS Medical Center
 - 3. Discussion by the Task Force
- H. Impact of Uncompensated Care on Community Health Centers (**EXHIBIT H**)
 - 1. Mary Leath, Executive Director, Community Health Centers of Arkansas, Inc.
 - 2. Kathy Grisham, Executive Director, Community Clinic, Springdale, AR
 - 3. Tony Calandro, Executive Director, Healthy Connections, Mena, AR
 - 4. Discussion by the Task Force

Lunch is on Your Own

Notice: Silence your cell phones. Keep your personal conversations to a minimum. Observe restrictions designating areas as "Members and Staff Only"

- I. Overview of Various State Approaches to Coverage Expansion
 - 1. Deb Bachrach, Partner; Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP
 - 2. Discussion by the Task Force

- J. Review of the Recommendations of the “Alexander Report” (Review of Arkansas’s Medicaid & Public Welfare System)—Submitted to the Arkansas General Assembly July 5, 2013 (**EXHIBIT J**)
 - 1. Nell Smith, Administrator, Research Section, Bureau of Legislative Research
 - 2. Comments from the Department of Human Services (DHS)
 - 3. Discussion by the Task Force

- K. Review of Upcoming Actions to Improve Arkansas Medicaid
 - 1. John Selig, Director, Department of Human Services (DHS)
 - 2. Craig Cloud, Director, Division of Aging & Adult Services, Department of Human Services
 - 3. Discussion by the Task Force

- L. Other Business

- M. Adjournment