

Louisiana Mandated Health Benefits Commission
Poydras Building Hearing Room
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
March 29, 2012

Members present: Nancy McPherson, Janie Ward Martin, Bridgette Jamison, Jeff Drozda, Walter Brock, John Mattessino, Renee Amar, Danny Ford, Charles Calvi, Rep. Greg Cromer, Cheryl Horne for Sen. Dan Morrish, Phyllis Perron, Cathy Chittom, H. Gordon Monk and Rod Friedy.

Staff present: Emma Fontenot, Carol Fowler-Guidry, and Alecia Stephens.

Ms. Emma Fontenot, Deputy Commissioner, Office of Health, Louisiana Department of Insurance began the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Ms. Fontenot welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Louisiana Mandated Health Benefits Commission created by ACT 549 in the 2010 Regular Legislative Session and briefly outlined the commissions duties.

The roll was called and quorum was present.

Ms. Fontenot was named chair and Mr. Jeff Drozda vice-chair.

Ms. Fontenot briefly outlined House Bill 387 – Life-threatening medical condition, House Bill 693 Administered anti-cancer medications, House Bill 771 – Autism Coverage, and Senate Bill 636 – Requires plans to provide coverage for a minimum of forty-eight hour time period in a hospital after a mastectomy.

Ms. Fontenot charged the commission to read over the packet given to them (containing copies of ACT 549, the four bills filed in the 2012 Regular Legislative Session, and the LDI chart of existing mandates) and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

The committee agreed to schedule the next meeting for Thursday, April 5, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.