

ACES Insurance Collaborative

Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 19, 2025, at 9:30 AM

Attendance:

Directors Present: T. Howes and T. Danehy, ACES; E. Marriott, Ansonia Board of Ed; R. Monico, Town of North Haven; C. Strickland, North Haven Board of Ed

Others Present: S. Kaminsky, Brown & Brown; D. Carson, ACES

1. Approval of minutes from April 28th 2025 meeting
 - a. R. Monico motioned to approve, T. Howes seconded, the minutes were approved unanimously.
2. Updates on Year-to-Date Claims
 - a. YTD reports will be sent out later today.
3. Stop Loss Discussion
 - a. While Anthem's renewal rates have increased, they are still the most competitive over others like Blackwell. We will continue to look at Blackwell as an alternative, even for January 1st, 2026.
 - b. Motion to Approve Renewal with Anthem Stop Loss Insurance Effective July 1st, 2025:
 1. T. Howes motioned, R. Monico seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. Updates on Negotiations
 - a. ACES is currently in negotiations with the CSEA and Teacher's Unions. S. Kaminsky offered to work on proposals for North Haven and Ansonia for their negotiations as well.
5. Rx Patient Advocacy Information
 - a. Brown & Brown is working with Anthem to remove certain prescriptions from the formulary for ACES to use Aurora Health instead as a third party for specialty medications. The third party company charges a minimal PMPM fee with a significant ROI. Other members should be looking at this option as well.
6. Enrollment Audit Process
 - a. Discussion on ways to audit enrollment internally or externally for accuracy.
7. New/Old Business:
 - a. S. Kaminsky mentioned that she had reached out to NFA and Seymour but received no response, if others are able to use their connections that would be helpful.
8. Adjournment
 - a. R. Monico motioned, E. Marriott seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.