

## ACES Insurance Collaborative

### Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 18, 2024, at 9:30 AM

#### Attendance:

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

**Others Present:** C. Petruccione and S. Kaminsky, Brown & Brown; E. Gilbert and M. Kedersha, Anthem; D. Carson, ACES

1. Approval of minutes from October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, meeting
  - a. T. Howes motioned, R. Monico seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously. J. Cegan abstained.
2. Updates on Year-to-Date Claims
  - a. C. Petruccione will send out reports shortly, the YTD claims are still looking on track.
3. Rx with CarelonRx and Ways to Save Money
  - a. S. Kaminsky and C. Petruccione reviewed the plan edits comparison document shown at the last meeting, then showed a new document with the annual Rx spend for the past 4 years per group. The two groups with no prior authorization in place had the largest increases, and all of the increases corresponded with the plan edits document.
  - b. E. Gilbert, CarelonRx Pharmacy Director, shared a document showing clinical solutions to skyrocketing costs in public sector groups. She also recommended Preventive Rx Enhanced, allowing for \$0 or co-pay only for low cost maintenance drugs.
4. New/Old Business:
  - a. S. Kaminsky stated that next month's meeting will include a presentation on Anthem's virtual physical therapy platform to address MSK claims expense. Others are welcome to attend.
5. Adjournment
  - a. T. Howes motioned, R. Monico seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.