

EXECUTIVE ADVISORY GROUP

Thursday, August 14, 2014

10:00 AM – 12 NOON

Conference Call

MEETING RECAP

1. Roles, Structure, Process

- Project Structure
 - CCHE
 - EAG
 - Expert Teams
- Vendors
- Process

- An overview of the project structure and process; an explanation of the purpose and roles of the Expert Teams, the EAG, and the CCHE in meeting the overall requirements of the legislation; and an introduction of the Vendors was provided.

2. Meeting Housekeeping

- Sunshine Laws

- An OLLS Summary of the Colorado Sunshine Law was included in the meeting packet. It was explained that while it is grey as to whether or not the law applies to the EAG, since there are 5 elected officials who sit as members, that CDHE will treat the Group as needing to comply. Therefore, meeting notices and other information will be posted on the HB 1319 webpage on the CDHE site; all meetings will be open to the public; and recaps of each meeting will be posted to the site as well. Further, it was pointed out to members that 2 or more elected officials discussing the project together would constitute a public meeting under this law.

- Press

- The possibility that members might get calls from the press regarding the project was discussed. Members were: urged to keep in mind their role as a part of the “group”; promised talking points to be shared in the event they are needed; and, asked that Kachina Weaver and/or Julie Poppen of CDHE be informed if any press calls are received – to help in any way the member may need, and also to keep a pulse on what press inquiries are taking place.

- Getting Lobbied

- It was pointed out that members may be lobbied and that this is an important part of the process. It was asked that anyone with thoughts, ideas, or concerns regarding the project to be introduced into the project process where appropriate. Also, members were asked to let Kachina Weaver know if they are lobbied on any specific issues as they arise to ensure they are incorporated into the process and properly vetted.

3. Outcomes from CCHE Retreat

- Principles

- The draft Project Principles as they came out of the CCHE Retreat, were discussed. It was suggested that the project should incorporate into its principles the need to increase funding and identify a consistent and reliable funding source. It was explained that the goal of this project is to meet the requirements of the bill, which does not include this aspect. However, it was acknowledged that this was indeed raised at the CCHE Retreat, but in the form of establishing a CCHE working group to look into options. Further, it was discussed that this topic can certainly come into play as the conversation progresses beyond this project.

- Keep it Simple

- Members were reminded about the cautionary tales from other states; it was pointed out that the bill is complex already; and the importance of keeping the outcomes focused and on point.

4. HB 14-1319 Highlights

- What does the bill say?

- Handouts were provided that identify the “shalls” of the legislation; the deadlines to be met; and, a listing of the legislative declarations from the bill text. A thorough walk through of these items was provided to help focus on what is required by the legislation.

5. WebX Presentation – National Governors Association (10:45AM)

- What is a funding model?
- National Landscape
- Process
- Lessons Learned

- A WebX PowerPoint presentation was given that explained what has been going on nationally with funding formulas; and, provided clear insight on what has been problematic in other states and what has helped lead to successful results. Specifics on certain funding models were demonstrated, as examples regarding weighting and values. In addition, examples of successful design principles that have been employed in other states were shared and recommended to be included in the overall project and process.

6. Public Comment

- There were no public comments provided.

7. Next Steps

- Members were reminded about the next meeting date and the preliminary agenda was explained.