



Attention Healthcare Council Members:

As a reminder, the DOI starts the rulemaking for HB 1232, the Colorado Option, tomorrow. The [agenda](#), and [registration link](#) can be found here. Additionally, [the slide deck for tomorrow's presentation](#), can be accessed here. There will be a total of 6 meetings to develop the standardized benefit plan. Any relevant information on the Colorado Option, can be found on the [Division's website](#). The Chamber will follow this process and provide comments when appropriate, please contact Katie Wolf, [kwolf@cochamber.com](mailto:kwolf@cochamber.com) with any specific feedback or questions.

SB21-175 – the prescription drug affordability board is currently taking applications for both the Board and the Advisory Council. The Board will consist of 5 individuals, appointed by the Governor by October 1st, and confirmed by the State Senate in the 2022 legislative session. The requirements are:

#### **Applicant Requirements**

- An advanced degree and experience or expertise in health-care economics or clinical medicine;
- Must not be an employee, board member, or consultant of: a manufacturer or a trade association of manufacturers; a carrier or a trade association of carriers; or a pharmacy benefit manager or a trade association of pharmacy benefit managers.

#### **Conflicts of Interest**

- Applicants shall disclose any possible conflict of interest and this may be considered in deciding to appoint an applicant to the Board.
- Board members shall recuse themselves from any board activity in any case in which they have a conflict of interest, and such conflicts of interest must be disclosed publicly.
- Board members cannot accept financial benefits or gifts, bequests, or donations of services or property that suggest a conflict of interest or have the appearance of creating bias in the work of the Board.

If you are interested in applying, [the application can be accessed here](#).

The Advisory Council will be comprised of 15 members, who will be in charge of providing stakeholder input to the Board. The requirements are:

#### **Applicant Requirements**

Council members must have knowledge of at least one of the following subject matters:

- the pharmaceutical business model;
- supply chain business models;
- the practice of medicine or clinical training;
- health-care consumer or patient perspectives;
- health-care cost trends and drivers;
- clinical and health services research;
- the state's health-care marketplace.

**Conflicts of Interest**

- Applicants shall disclose any possible conflict of interest. The Board may consider such conflicts in deciding to appoint an applicant to the Council.
- The chair of the Council must report to the Board any conflicts of interest of the Council and these must be disclosed publicly.

**Make-up of the Council**

The Council will consist of 15 members. One member of the Council must be the Executive Director of the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing or their designee.

The remaining 14 members are appointed by the Board and must include the following:

- two members who are health-care consumers or who represent health-care consumers;
- one member representing a statewide health-care consumer advocacy organization;
- one member representing health-care consumers who are living with chronic diseases;
- one member representing a labor union;
- one member representing employers;
- one member representing health insurance carriers;
- one member representing pharmacy benefit management firms;
- one member representing health-care professionals with prescribing authority;
- one member who is employed by an organization that performs research concerning prescription drugs, including research concerning pricing information;
- one member representing manufacturers of brand-name drugs;
- one member representing manufacturers of generic drugs;
- one member representing pharmacists; and
- one member representing wholesalers.

If you would like to apply for the advisory council, [you may access the application here](#).

The Chamber will be following this process closely, and will provide updates when applicable. Please contact Katie Wolf, [kwolf@cochamber.com](mailto:kwolf@cochamber.com) with any questions.

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