

## **Notice of Annual Membership Meeting**

To: All Members of New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association (New Hampshire Health Plan)

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Members of the New Hampshire Health Plan (NHHP) to be held at 9:30 a.m. (EST) on Thursday, June 8, 2023. To encourage participation and reduce costs, the meeting will be held by videoconference. If you wish to participate, please notify the Executive Director as directed in the footnote to this Notice for a Zoom invitation. Whether or not you plan to attend, if you receive a blue proxy card with this mailing, please sign and send it back by return mail to NHHP, One Pillsbury Street, Suite 200, Concord, NH 03301 or scan and email an electronic copy back to NHHP at <a href="mailto:emeagher@helmsco.com">emeagher@helmsco.com</a>.

At this meeting, eligible members will vote to elect members of the Board of Directors of NHHP. RSA 404-G mandates that a member's votes for individual or group market representatives be proportional to the member's assessment in that market. NHHP's Bylaws provide that the number of votes each member shall be entitled to cast shall be in proportion to covered lives in the relevant market for the reporting cycle in the third quarter of the year preceding the year of the vote. The number of votes that you are entitled to cast as a Qualified Group Writer / Stop-Loss Carrier, a Qualified Individual Writer, or both, is reflected on the enclosed proxy card. Note that no votes are authorized unless you provide coverage for at least (i) 500 covered lives or (ii) 5% of the relevant market (see RSA 404-G:4, IV). In the event that your market shares would produce zero votes for both markets, there will be <u>no proxy card</u> enclosed with this mailing.

NHHP's Nominating Committee nominated the following to represent the interests of the Group Carriers / Stop-Loss Carriers: (1) Steve Phillips of Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, (2) David Ellis of CIGNA HealthCare, (3) Kathryn Skouteris of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of New England, (4) Bradley T. Long of Tokio Marine HHC (5) Gregg Daly of United Healthcare. The Board anticipates that Anthem and Harvard Pilgrim will be moved to a hybrid category as required by RSA 404-G:4, V(b)(1), thereby opening two additional group member seats. Therefore, it has nominated five individuals for the group category. The same Nominating Committee nominated the following to represent the interests of the Individual Carriers: Christopher Kennedy of NH Healthy Families.

You are urged to carefully review this notice and the enclosed proxy card. The proxy card asks that you select one of the three options printed for <u>each of the two elections to be held</u>: (1) "YES" to authorize your proxy to cast your votes; (2) "NO" to instruct your proxy not to vote; (3) "ABSTAIN" to instruct your proxy to abstain from voting in the Board election. The Board recommends that you check a "YES" for both elections. The Board is presently aware of no other business to come before the Annual Meeting of Members.

No action can be taken at a meeting of NHHP members unless a quorum of members is present in person or by proxy. NHHP's governance documents state that a majority of the voting power of members entitled to vote from each of the two classes of members represented in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of members. If you attend the annual meeting, you may revoke any previously mailed proxy and vote in person.

It is important that all votes be represented at the Annual Meeting, whether or not you are able to attend in person. Therefore, if a proxy card is enclosed, you are urged to complete, sign, date, and return it today in the return envelope provided. Thank you.

Sincerely,
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Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>If you have any questions about the number of votes shown on your proxy card, please contact J. Michael Degnan (<u>imdegnan@helmsco.com</u>) or Erin Meagher (<u>emeagher@helmsco.com</u>) at Helms & Co., Inc. Their office telephone number is (603) 223-NHHP (6447).

## NEW HAMPSHIRE INDIVIDUAL HEALTH PLAN BENEFIT ASSOCIATION

c/o Helms & Company, Inc. 1 Pillsbury Street, Suite 200 Concord, NH 03301

## **PROXY**

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE INDIVIDUAL HEALTH PLAN BENEFIT ASSOCIATION ("ASSOCIATION"), ALSO KNOWN AS THE NEW HAMPSHIRE HEALTH PLAN, FOR THE 2023 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The undersigned member of the Association hereby appoints Kathryn Skouteris and Christopher Kennedy, or either one acting alone, as "Proxies," each with the power to appoint a substitute, and hereby authorizes them to represent and to vote and act for the undersigned at the Annual Meeting of Members of the Association to be held on Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. (EST), via videoconference, and at any adjournment, continuation or postponement thereof, according to the number of votes which the undersigned is entitled to cast as indicated on the reverse of this card. This Proxy revokes all prior Proxies given by the undersigned. The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the *Notice of Annual Membership Meeting*.

All powers may be exercised by both of said Proxies or substitutes voting or acting or, if only one votes and acts, then by that one. Unless otherwise marked, the undersigned instructs such Proxies or their substitutes to vote for the members of the Board of Directors as specified on the reverse side.

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