American Academy of Actuaries Health Practice Council Updates Fall 2023

November 30, 2023 Health Actuarial (B) Task Force (HATF) Meeting



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Issue Focus: Health Equity

Events:

- Summer/Fall: Series of workshops focused on the intersection of benefit design and health equity
- Nov 15: <u>Health Benefit Design Innovations for Advancing Health Equity</u> symposium

Four-part issue brief series, Health Benefit Design Innovations for Advancing Health Equity: Removing the Barriers to Successful Implementation

- Issue Brief 1—Overview
- Issue Brief 2—Evaluating Benefit Changes
- <u>Issue Brief 3—How to Better Understand the Needs of the People We're Trying to</u> <u>Serve</u>
- Issue Brief 4—Overcoming Constraints to Implementation



Issue Focus: LTSS

Comments on LTC Financing for WA Cares Fund Program to the Office of the State Actuary for the state of Washington on key issues related to LTC financing and risk management (Oct. 2023).

• The letter provides information on considerations necessary to achieve and maintain LTSS trust solvency for the WA Cares Fund Program.



HRBC (E) Working Group

Oct. 31: Letter sent to Chairman Drutz on the Academy work group's progress on the tiered RBC Factor development

- Verbal updates were shared at the Nov. 8 virtual meeting
- Draft analyses and findings are still intended by year-end



Key Policy Priorities for 2024

- Health equity
- Public health challenges
- Insurance coverage and benefit design
- Health care costs and quality
- Medicare sustainability
- Long-term services and supports
- Financial reporting and solvency
- Professionalism

Questions?

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