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**2021 PROPOSED CHARGES**

**REGULATORY FRAMEWORK (B) TASK FORCE**

The mission of the Regulatory Framework (B) Task Force is to: 1) develop NAIC model acts and regulations for state health care initiatives; and 2) consider policy issues affecting state health insurance regulation.

**Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products and Services**

1. The **Regulatory Framework (B) Task Force** will:

1. Coordinate and develop the provision of technical assistance to the states regarding state-level implementation issues raised by federal health legislation and regulations.
2. Review managed health care reforms, their delivery systems occurring in the marketplace and other forms of health care delivery. Recommend appropriate revisions to regulatory jurisdiction, authority and structures.
3. Consider the development of new NAIC model laws and regulations and the revision of existing NAIC model laws and regulations, including those affected by federal legislation and final federal regulations promulgated pursuant to such legislation.
4. Continue to review NAIC models recommended for revision by the former Affordable Care Act (ACA) Model Review (B) Working Group and, as appropriate, appoint a working group or subgroup to revise the NAIC model(s) prioritized for revision in 2021.

E. At the direction of the Health Insurance and Managed Care (B) Committee, through the work of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) (B) Working Group, monitor, analyze and report developments related to association health plans (AHPs).

F. Monitor, analyze and report, as necessary, developments related to short-term, limited-duration (STLD) coverage.

2. The **Accident and Sickness Insurance Minimum Standards (B) Subgroup** will:

A. Review and consider revisions to the *Model Regulation to Implement the Accident and Sickness Insurance Minimum Standards Model Act* (#171).

3. The **ERISA (B) Working Group** will:

1. Monitor, report and analyze developments related to the federal ERISA, and make recommendations regarding NAIC strategy and policy with respect to those developments.
2. Monitor, facilitate and coordinate with the states and the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) related to sham health plans.
3. Monitor, facilitate and coordinate with the states and the DOL regarding compliance and enforcement efforts regarding the ACA that relate to ERISA.
4. Review the *Health and Welfare Plans Under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act: Guidelines for State and Federal Regulation* (ERISA Handbook) and modify it, as necessary, to reflect developments related to ERISA. Report annually.

4. The **Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) (B) Working Group** will:

1. Monitor, report and analyze developments related to the federal Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (MHPAEA), and make recommendations regarding NAIC strategy and policy with respect to those developments.
2. Monitor, facilitate and coordinate best practices with the states, the DOL and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) related to the MHPAEA.
3. Monitor, facilitate and coordinate with the states and the DOL regarding compliance and enforcement efforts regarding the ACA that relate to the MHPAEA.
4. Provide supplemental resources to support documentation and reporting in the MHPAEA chapter of the NAIC *Market Regulation Handbook*.
5. Coordinate with and provide input to Market Regulation and Consumer Affairs (D) Committee groups, as necessary, regarding mental health parity market conduct examinations.

5. The **Pharmacy Benefit Manager Regulatory Issues (B) Subgroup** will:

A. Consider developing a new NAIC model to establish a licensing or registration process for pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs). The Subgroup may consider including in the new NAIC model provisions on PBM prescription drug pricing and cost transparency.

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