

2025 Summer National Meeting Minneapolis, Minnesota

REGULATORY FRAMEWORK (B) TASK FORCE

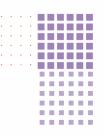
Tuesday, August 12, 2025 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Summary Report

The Regulatory Framework (B) Task Force met Aug. 12, 2025. During this meeting, the Task Force:

- 1. Adopted its Spring National Meeting minutes.
- 2. Adopted the report of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) (B) Working Group, which met Aug. 12. During this meeting, the Working Group took the following action:
 - A. Heard an update on ERISA preemption of pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) laws.
 - B. Heard a presentation from the National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals (NABIP) on level-funded plans.
- 3. Adopted the report of the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) (B) Working Group. The Working Group met July 2 and May 27 in regulator-to-regulator session, pursuant to paragraph 8 (consideration of strategic planning issues) of the NAIC Policy Statement on Open Meetings. During these meetings, the Working Group took the following action:
 - A. Discussed the decision by federal agencies not to enforce the 2024 revisions to the final rule on mental health parity. Working Group members generally agreed that state activity related to parity review and enforcement would continue.
- 4. Adopted the report of the Prescription Drug Coverage (B) Working Group, which met Aug. 11. During this meeting, the Working Group took the following action:
 - A. Adopted its Spring National Meeting minutes.
 - B. Adopted its May 19 minutes. During this meeting, the Working Group took the following action:
 - i. Heard presentations on copay accumulators.
 - C. Heard presentations from the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (CFF) on alternative funding programs.
- 5. Heard an update from AHIP and the BlueCross BlueShield Association (BCBSA) on health plans' commitment to streamlining and simplifying prior authorization (PA).
- 6. Heard a discussion from Katie Keith (Center for Health Policy and the Law at the O'Neill Institute) and Brian Blase (Paragon Health Institute) on the federal deregulation initiative.





7. Heard an update on the Task Force's work to develop a PA framework white paper. The Task Force has distributed a draft of the white paper on July 18 for a public comment period ending Aug. 29.