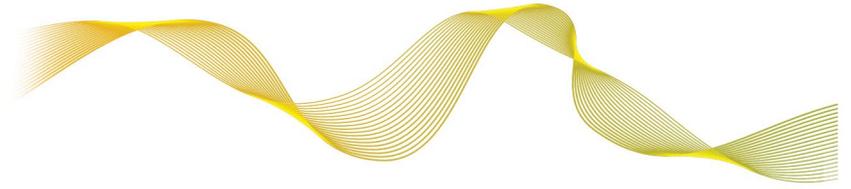




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**HEALTH CARE AFFORDABILITY AND MITIGATION (B) WORKING GROUP**

Tuesday, March 24, 2026  
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

**Meeting Summary Report**

The Health Care Affordability and Mitigation (B) Working Group met March 24, 2026. During this meeting, the Working Group:

1. Adopted its March 10 minutes. During this meeting, the Working Group took the following action:
  - A. Discussed its 2026 charges and work plan.
  - B. Discussed state affordability and mitigation activities.
2. Discussed its 2026 work plan, including whether to focus on a shorter list of topics in greater depth or to address a longer list with less depth.
3. Heard a presentation from the Colorado Consumer Health Initiative (CCHI) and Brown University on hospital costs and strategies for controlling them.
4. Heard a presentation from Georgians for a Healthy Future (GHF) and the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (CBPP) on state-based marketplaces and their tools for improving affordability.