



*2026 Summer National Meeting
Columbus, Ohio*

**JOINT MEETING OF THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE (B) WORKING GROUP AND
THE MENTAL HEALTH PARITY AND ADDICTION EQUITY ACT (MHPAEA) (B) WORKING GROUP**

Wednesday, August 12, 2026
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Meeting Summary Report

The Prescription Drug Coverage (B) Working Group met Aug. 12, 2026, in joint session with the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) (B) Working Group. During this meeting, the Working Groups:

1. Adopted the Prescription Drug Coverage (B) Working Group's Spring National Meeting minutes (see *NAIC Proceedings – Spring 2026, Regulatory Framework (B) Task Force, Attachment Two*).
2. Adopted the MHPAEA (B) Working Group's April 2 minutes. During this meeting, the Working Group took the following action:
 - A. Discussed its work plan for the year with a focus on tracking state parity laws, resources, and enforcement activity.
 - B. Heard a presentation on the use of a template to collect information on insurers' prior authorization policies and practices.
3. Reported that the MHPAEA (B) Working Group met July 9 in regulator-to-regulator session, pursuant to paragraph 8 (strategic planning issues relating to federal legislative and regulatory matters) of the NAIC Policy Statement on Open Meetings. During this meeting, the Working Group took the following action:
 - A. Discussed a survey of states to collect information on mental health parity laws, resources, and enforcement activity.
4. Heard presentations from the Center for Evidence-Based Policy and the INS Companies on medications to treat substance use disorders and their coverage by health plans, focusing on coverage delays and state enforcement of parity requirements.