



Date: 9/28/23

Virtual Meeting

SPECIAL (EX) COMMITTEE ON RACE AND INSURANCE HEALTH WORKSTREAM

Thursday, September 28, 2023

12:00 – 1:30 p.m. ET / 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CT / 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. MT / 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. PT

ROLL CALL

Kathleen A. Birrane, Co-Chair	Maryland	Sharon P. Clark	Kentucky
Grace Arnold, Co-Chair	Minnesota	Anita G. Fox	Michigan
Ricardo Lara	California	Andrew R. Stolfi	Oregon
Michael Conway	Colorado	Michael Humphreys	Pennsylvania
Andrew N. Mais	Connecticut	Cassie Brown	Texas
Karima Woods	District of Columbia	Jon Pike	Utah
Gordon I. Ito	Hawaii	Mike Kreidler	Washington
Amy L. Beard	Indiana	Allan L. McVey	West Virginia

NAIC Support Staff: Brian R. Webb / Jolie H. Matthews

AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks—*Commissioner Grace Arnold (MN) and Commissioner Kathleen A. Birrane (MD)*
2. Hear a Presentation on Mental Health and Substance Use Considerations Among Communities of Color—*Nirmita Panchal (Kaiser Family Foundation—KFF)*
3. Hear Presentations on Reducing Barriers to Mental Wellness—*Silvia Yee (Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund—DREDF) and Dorianne Mason (National Women’s Law Center)*
4. Hear a Presentation on Developing Maryland’s Consumer Health Care Access Program—*Diane Stollenwerk (MD)*
5. Hear Presentations on Plan Efforts to Reduce Mental Health Disparities—*Dr. Tom Allen (Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois) and Brooke Parish (Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico) and Lori Weems (University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC) Health Plan), Karen Mallah (UPMC Health Plan), and Dr. Alin Severance (UPMC Health Plan)*
6. Question and Answer (Q&A) Session with Presenters—*Commissioner Grace Arnold (MN) and Commissioner Kathleen A. Birrane (MD)*
7. Discuss Any Other Matters Brought Before the Workstream—*Commissioner Grace Arnold (MN) and Commissioner Kathleen A. Birrane (MD)*



8. Adjournment