

*“Developing Realistic Strategies and Viable Options to Provide
Comprehensive and Affordable Health Insurance Coverage for All Michigan Citizens”*

Models Development Workgroup
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- I. Hollis welcomed everyone. Introductions were made around the table.
- II. Agenda: Approved
- III. Minutes: Approved w/ change mp.2 from “Medicare to Medicaid”.
- IV. Hollis asked for impressions from MDWG members.

The Advisory Council (AC) was fully engaged in their discussion of the “Getting from Here to There” document at their last meeting. “Getting from Here to There” was sent out to the AC twice, once two weeks before the meeting and the second time a week prior to the meeting. Almost all AC members had read it and the business representatives had a caucus about it among themselves prior to the meeting.

Hollis- How can MDWG people work with Advisory Council members to influence the proceedings?

Everyone felt that we need to keep challenging the AC to come up with a plan to cover all Michigan residents.

Each individual can dialogue AC members and encourage them to:

- 1) Develop a plan to cover all Michigan residents
- 2) Keep focused on who the uninsured are.

The members thought that having cost savings as one of the commission’s goals is good, but that the ultimate goal needs to be having everyone covered with health insurance.

Lonnie-The AC has a “Red, Green & Yellow Light” paper and they’ve asked for more information on the yellow light issues. The opportunity to deal with Advisory Council is in the context of that document, which is what advisory council as agreed to deal with. Maybe we should challenge the red lights.

MDWG could help Advisory Council move some MDWG concepts from yellow light into red light or green light.

Members would like for AC members to be asked if they have any questions about the “Getting from Here to There” document.

Meeting adjourned.