

MEDICAL CANNABIS INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT WORKING GROUP
ACT 161 (SB2488), SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2018

Notice of Meeting

DATE: Monday, October 8, 2018
TIME: 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 229
State Capitol
415 S. Beretania Street

Act 161 established the medical cannabis insurance reimbursement working group to address the complexities surrounding the topic of making medical cannabis reimbursable by health insurance. The working group is tasked with exploring options and make recommendations on the following issues:

- Actions taken in other states;
- Potential parallel reimbursement models for other types of non-prescription therapies;
- Associated liability issues for health plans;
- Potential impact on insurance premiums;
- Insurance riders for alternative therapies, which could serve as a model for medical cannabis reimbursement; and
- Other relevant issues that may arise, at the discretion of the working group.

Act 161 designates the following persons to serve as members to the working group:

- Chair of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health (CPH), or designee, to serve as Co-Chair
- Chair of the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce (CPC) or designee, to serve as Co-Chair
- Chair of the House Committee on Health and Human Services (HHS);
- A member of the Senate selected by the President of the Senate to serve on the working group;
- Insurance Commissioner;
- Administrator of the Department of Human Services, Med-QUEST Division;
- One representative each from the following, to serve at the invitation of the chairs of the working group:
 - A mutual benefit society;
 - A health maintenance organization;
 - A Medicaid managed care plan; and
 - A licensed medical cannabis dispensary; and
 - Two participants in Hawai'i's medical cannabis program, one of whom is a qualifying patient eighteen years of age or older, and one of whom is a parent or legal guardian of a qualifying patient who is under the age of ten.

AGENDA

- Introduction of Members
- Working Group Roundtable Discussion
- Questions from Working Group Members
- Next steps and Announcements
- Adjournment

If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids and/or services to participate in the meeting (i.e. sign language interpreter or wheelchair accessibility), please contact the office of Senator Rosalyn Baker at **(808) 586-6070** to make a request for arrangements at least 24 hours prior to the briefing. Prompt requests help to ensure the availability of qualified individuals and appropriate accommodations.



Sen. Rosalyn H. Baker
Co-chair, Act 161 Medical Cannabis
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Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce,
Consumer Protection and Health
Committee



Rep. Roy Takumi
Co-chair, Act 161 Medical Cannabis
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Chair, House Committee on Commerce and
Consumer Protection