



**STATE OF LOUISIANA**  
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION  
**OFFICE OF GROUP BENEFITS**



**OGB POLICY AND PLANNING BOARD AGENDA**  
**(c/w OGB ESTIMATING CONFERENCE)**  
**Thursday, March 18, 2021**  
**2 PM - Via Video Conference**

**Link to Meeting:**

<https://la-ogb.zoom.us/j/88216327323?pwd=RDNpYmRzNDFDdjhoMktRSzR0RE9wZz09>

*Instructions for viewing meeting and public comment attached.*

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Roll Call
- II. La. R.S. 42:17.1 Certification
  - a. See Certification attached
- III. Waive Approval of Minutes from March 15, 2021 Meeting
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Vote to move to Executive Session
  - a. See Statement attached
- VI. Vote to return to Regular Session
- VII. Consideration of action on Access Health Contract
- VIII. Adjournment

## Instructions for joining the OGB meeting

### Web Access (Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android):

<https://la-ogb.zoom.us/j/88216327323?pwd=RDNpYmRzNDZFdjhoMktRSzRORE9wZz09>

**Password:** 902036

### Telephone Access:

USA (602) 333-0032

USA (888) 270-9936 (US Toll Free)

Conference code: 745853

Only if accessing via web:

1. After selecting link, you will be brought to a screen asking "How would you like to join the meeting?" Options are "Continue in Browser" or "Open App".  
*Note: If using the App to access the meeting, the following instructions do not apply.*
2. Select "Continue in Browser".  
*Note: Depending on the configuration of your device, a Plugin may need to be downloaded.*
3. In "Join a Meeting" screen, enter your name, enter the meeting password, certify that you are not a robot, then select "Continue".
4. Next you will select an audio option: "Use Computer Audio" or "Use My Phone".  
*Note: If you do not have a speaker/mic on your device, "Use My Phone" option should be selected. This option gives the functionality of the software on your computer while using your phone to listen and speak.*
5. The "Welcome to the Meeting" screen will now be visible and you will be placed in a waiting room until host starts the meeting.
6. Once the meeting begins, all users will be muted by the host; however, it is encouraged to mute your microphone upon entry into the meeting.
7. Upon conclusion of the meeting, to exit, select "Leave Meeting" button at the bottom of the screen.

### Public Comment

There are two options to provide public comment for the Policy and Planning Board meeting, prior to or during the meeting. Below are the processes for both options. Any public comments received will be read during the meeting.

- **Prior to Meeting:**  
Emails will be received up to 11:00 a.m. on March 18, 2021. All emails must be submitted to [Communications@la.gov](mailto:Communications@la.gov) and must include the Agenda Item number, your name and a brief statement. If you wish to speak during the meeting, please indicate in your email. You will be addressed during the meeting.
- **During the Meeting:**  
Type your question into the Q&A box. Click Send. Note: Check Send Anonymously if you do not want your name attached to your question in the Q&A. If the host replies via the Q&A, you will see a reply in the Q&A window. The host can also answer your question live (out loud).

Please note that all comments submitted are visible to all participants.



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**La. R.S. 42:17.1 Certification**

On March 11, 2020, in Executive Proclamation 25 JBE 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards declared a state of emergency for Louisiana due to COVID-19. The state of emergency was extended in subsequent Executive Proclamations with the most recent extension in 29 JBE 2021 on March 2, 2021. The state of emergency is a state-wide, public health concern and an in-person meeting of the Office of Group Benefits Policy and Planning Board would be detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of the public.

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 42:17.1, I, Jeremy Jackson, the presiding officer of the Office of Group Benefits Policy and Planning Board, hereby certify that the agenda of the meeting is limited to matters that are critical to continuation of business of the Office of Group Benefits and are not able to be postponed due to other deadlines that cannot be postponed or delayed.

As such, in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 42:17.1, the Office of Group Benefits Policy and Planning Board's meeting on Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 2 p.m. will be held by video conference and in a manner that allows for observation and input by members of the public in accordance with the provisions in La. R.S. 42:17.1(C).

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Jeremy Jackson  
Presiding Officer  
Office of Group Benefits Policy and Planning Board



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**La. R.S. 42:19(A)(1)(b)(iii) Statement**

The Executive Session is necessary for discussions of strategy and/or negotiations as it relates to prospective litigation between the Office of Group Benefits, Access Health, Inc., and Atlantic Specialty Insurance Company as a result of Access Health, Inc.'s contractual breaches, OGB's formal, written demand made upon Access Health, Inc., and OGB's formal, written demand made upon Atlantic Specialty Insurance Company, the surety to the contract.