




Rhode Island Health Benefits Exchange d/b/a HealthSource RI

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Year Ended June 30, 2021

With Independent Auditor's Report





INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Management of the Rhode Island Health Benefits Exchange
d/b/a HealthSource RI

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying statement of revenues and expenditures (the statement) of Rhode Island Health Benefits Exchange d/b/a HealthSource RI (the Exchange), a function within the State of Rhode Island, for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the statement.

Management's Responsibility for the Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the statement in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Exchange's preparation and fair presentation of the statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Exchange's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the statement.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the statement referred to above represents fairly, in all material respects, the revenues and expenditures of the Exchange for the year ended June 30, 2021 in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 25, 2022 on our consideration of the Exchange's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Exchange's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Exchange's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Berry Dunn McNeil & Parker, LLC

Manchester, New Hampshire
January 25, 2022

**RHODE ISLAND HEALTH BENEFITS EXCHANGE
D/B/A HEALTHSOURCE RI**

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

Year Ended June 30, 2021

Revenues	
State general fund	\$ 1,300,147
Marketplace assessments	9,753,690
Mandate penalty	661,526
Other federal revenue	<u>301,382</u>
Total revenues	<u>12,016,745</u>
Expenditures	
Salaries and wages	1,279,799
Benefits	599,287
Information technology	2,950,694
Consulting and professional	4,746,890
Marketing and advertising	2,084,971
General and administrative	111,528
Facility and related	143,714
Legal and audit	<u>99,862</u>
Total expenditures	<u>12,016,745</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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Notes to the Financial Statement

Year Ended June 30, 2021

1. Purpose of Organization

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148) and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act (Public Law 111-152) (together, the "ACA") provide for the establishment of a Health Benefits Exchange by each State. The Rhode Island Health Benefits Exchange was established on September 19, 2011 by Executive Order 11-09 of the Governor of the State of Rhode Island ("State"). HealthSource RI's legal mandate was further refined in June 2015, under Rhode Island General Laws 42-157.

The Rhode Island Health Benefits Exchange, branded "HealthSource RI", ("HSRI") serves two primary purposes: first, to negotiate for high quality, affordable health insurance options on behalf of small businesses and individuals (in order to promote the health of all Rhode Islanders); and second, to be a robust resource for all Rhode Islanders and Rhode Island businesses to learn about and compare the quality and affordability of their health insurance options, enroll in coverage and, if eligible, access Medicaid or federal tax subsidies for coverage.

HSRI is an organized State-based Marketplace ("SBM") established to help consumers and businesses buy health insurance in a way that permits easy comparison of available plan options based on price, benefits, and quality through a web portal. HSRI provides access to Qualified Health Plans ("QHP") to individuals, families, employers and their employees. As an SBM, HSRI is subject to regulations established by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

HSRI is part of an interagency team created in Rhode Island to implement ACA reforms. This team includes HSRI, the Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services ("EOHHS"), and the Department of Human Services ("DHS"). The interagency team developed an integrated vision for serving individuals and families through a single technology solution that supports eligibility, enrollment and, in the case of HSRI, premium payment. HSRI participates in the management of the implementation and receives an allocated share of the expenditures for the implementation and operation of the technology.

As HSRI is an operation within the State, financial and administrative processes are performed at the State level including payroll, purchasing, accounts payable, cash management and general ledger accounting. Certain administrative costs related to these items are not recognized in the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures.

All revenues, funding and expenditures are included in the State of Rhode Island's General and Restricted Receipts Funds.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Statement of Revenues and Expenditures ("Statement") of HSRI has been prepared to meet the Federal requirement in 45 CFR §155.1200 that states:

- (b) (1) "Reporting. The State Exchange must, at least annually, provide to HHS...a financial statement presented in accordance with [generally accepted accounting principles]..." and,

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- (c) "External audits. The State Exchange must engage an independent qualified auditing entity which follows generally accepted governmental auditing standards (GAGAS) to perform an annual independent external financial...audit..."

This Statement is reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.

This Statement does not include insurance premiums collected from consumers as part of HSRI carrying out its responsibilities under the ACA. HSRI created the HSRI Trust ("Trust") to collect health and dental insurance premium payments from qualified employers and individuals and to pay such premiums to issuers of QHP and Qualified Dental Plans offered through HSRI. The Trust is an agency fund of the State of Rhode Island.

3. Accounting Policies

All accounting policies used in the preparation of this Statement follow those of the State of Rhode Island.

Revenues

Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period (i.e., earned and collected within the next 12 months) or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under the accrual basis of accounting. However, expenditures for compensated absences are recorded when payments come due. Expenditures relating to other claims and judgments are recorded to the extent that such amounts are expected to be paid within the current period.

Risk Management

HSRI is subject to the risk of loss from various events, including, but not limited to, natural disasters and destruction of assets. HSRI is currently covered by a commercial insurance program obtained by the State that contains multiple individual policies to mitigate risk exposure.

4. Commitments and Contingencies

With respect to litigation, HSRI officials are of the opinion that there are no lawsuits likely to result either individually or in the aggregate in final judgments against HSRI that would materially affect the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures.

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HSRI has entered into a number of contracts with vendors to support the creation and operation of HSRI. These contracts extend through October 31, 2025; some contain renewal options. HSRI is also party to Interagency Agreements between EOHHS and DHS pursuant to the interagency team process referenced above. At June 30, 2021, minimum payments under HSRI's contractual commitments were as follows:

2022	\$ 5,398,691
2023	1,863,064
2024	1,893,535
2025	1,858,946
2026	611,194

5. Employee Retirement Plan

Employees of HSRI participate in the Employees' Retirement System ("ERS") of the State of Rhode Island, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan, advance funded through a trust. Membership in the plan is mandatory for all covered state employees. Required contributions were 26.39% of eligible compensation for the ERS year ended June 30, 2021. Pension expense for the year was approximately \$286,000 and is included in benefits in the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures.

6. Related Party Transactions

As a function within the State of Rhode Island, any additional State funds would be subject to appropriation, if necessitated by an excess of expenditures over revenues.