INTERMEDIATE STRATEGIES WORKGROUP MEETING 4 SUMMARY

Attendees	Dr. Bruce Goldberg (co-lead); Dr. Ed Junkins (co-lead); Chuck Sheketoff; Dr. Lionel (Chad) Chadwick; Dr. John Santa; Sarah Knipper and Laurel Swerdlow (OHA staff)
Absent	Deborah Riddick
Date/Time	April 30, 2021 9AM – 11AM

Meeting Purpose/ Desired Outcome	 Deeper dive into the two transformative member-generated intermediate strategy ideas: Individual Marketplace Transformation and Single Payer Medicare
Key Issues	 Individual Marketplace Transformation (Bruce idea) To successfully get 1332 waiver from CMS will require a very strong case; but the time is right politically and we need to stretch if we are ever going to achieve full single payer Need to be clear about goals: (1) Bring more people into individual market by making it affordable; (2) Create better benefit for those who are underinsured; (3) Start to streamline market into common benefit package which is affordable step to single payer; (4) Eliminate cliff between Medicaid and individual market Potential cost saving measures & administrative simplifications include: (1) standardized billing forms; (2) common benefit package; (3) limiting global budget cost growth to ~3% Several questions identified to be followed up on
	 Single Payer Medicare (John idea) Richer benefit, but won't ask for more money because medicare advantage plans don't get more money Goal to decrease cost-sharing for lower income medicare enrollees Eliminate expanding the age range This is testing single payer: we're testing single payer and proposing this demonstration of single payer for the following reasons. It's not so much about bringing in new people, it's a focused test on that mechanism. Single payer is about more than the 6% uninsured. It's about dealing with inequities for those who have coverage but are still drowning. This idea helps with that population.
Next steps	 Staff will incorporate questions/clarifications for next IS meeting 3 smaller concepts will be discussed at 5/13 IS meeting IS concepts will be presented at June 9th TF meeting, after 1 last IS meeting on 5/13
Items to Report Out to Task Force	Task Force report-out will be discussed at May 13 th IS meeting.

Meeting Materials	Agenda
Next Meeting	May 13, 2021 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM