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To: Group Insurance Board

From: Lisa Ellinger, Director

Office of Strategic Health Policy

Subject: Office of Strategic Health Policy Personnel Changes

This memo is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.

The Office of Strategic Health Policy (OSHP) has recently announced the following staff changes.

• Strategic Health Policy Advisor – Rachel Carabell

Rachel brings a breadth and depth of health policy expertise to her role in OSHP. Rachel spent nearly a decade at the Legislative Fiscal Bureau as a Budget and Policy Analyst, followed by over five years working in the Medicaid program at the Department of Health Services. Most recently, Rachel served in a number of key roles at WEA Trust. In her position at ETF, Rachel will focus on performance measurement and support the work of the ongoing procurements to contract with a data warehousing vendor, and the evaluation of self-insuring and regionalizing the health insurance program.

Strategic Health Policy Advisor – Renee Walk

Renee brings significant health policy and data analytics expertise to her role in OSHP. Over the past decade, Renee served as an analyst at the UW Survey Center, State Laboratory of Hygiene, and Department of Health Services. Most recently, Renee was a Product Manager at WEA Trust. In her position at ETF, Renee will focus on the implementation of the new wellness vendor and support the work of the ongoing procurements to contract with a data warehousing vendor and pharmacy benefits manager.

Reviewed and approved by John Voelker, Deputy Secretary

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• Health Policy Project Manager – Wade Whitmus

Wade brings extensive project management experience to his role at ETF, coming to OSHP after many years with CUNA Mutual Group. In his position at ETF, Wade will focus on supporting the project management aspect of all ongoing procurements and strategic initiatives within OSHP.

Health Policy Advisor – Sara Brockman

Sara started her career at ETF as the Board liaison in late 2015, and her role on the OSHP team will now evolve to include health policy analysis. Sara will continue to serve in her previous role as Board liaison, and her expanded role will focus on supporting the management of the employee reimbursement accounts, health savings accounts, and commuter benefits programs.

Optional Plans Manager – Shayna Schomber

Upon Roni Harper's recent retirement from ETF, Shayna inherited the management of the Optional Plans. Shayna will continue to serve in her previous roles in OSHP, which include management of the dental benefit contract with Delta Dental and the oversight of the self-insured medical benefits with Wisconsin Physicians Service.

Staff will be at the Board meeting to answer any questions.