EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING THE
GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON HEALTHCARE INNOVATION

WHEREAS, the State of Montana, hospitals, medical professionals and insurers have an
ongoing responsibility to improve accessibility, affordability, quality, efficiency and
transparency in the healthcare system;

WHEREAS, innovative payment and delivery reforms are being spearheaded by healthcare
leaders in communities across the state, but, presently, there is no forum for sharing best
practices or addressing systemic challenges;

WHEREAS, effectively preventing, identifying and managing chronic diseases such as cancer,
diabetes and heart disease is key to controlling costs and improving the health of Montanans;

WHEREAS, accessibility and affordability of effective mental health treatment is a growing
concern for Montana families;

WHEREAS, reducing health disparities and supporting high-risk patient populations are
fundamental components of an improved healthcare delivery system; and,

WHEREAS, data sharing and evaluation capabilities are essential to the efficient coordination
of care and the identification and measurement of strategies for improving healthcare efficiency
and quality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE BULLOCK, Governor of the State of Montana, by the
authority vested in me under the laws and Constitution of the State of Montana, do hereby create
the Governor’s Council on Healthcare Innovation (Council).

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Council is to review innovative practices, policies and opportunities for
collaboratively increasing efficiency in the healthcare system and improving the health of
Montanans.
DUTIES

The Council will:

1. Review promising public and private reform initiatives in Montana and identify opportunities for collaboration, improvement, acceleration, and expansion;
2. Explore models successfully implemented in other communities and states for increasing efficiency and improving care;
3. Provide guidance on the development of a statewide, multi-payer healthcare innovation plan;
4. Solicit diverse stakeholder participation in the design process;
5. Coordinate with the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Program, public health programs, and other programs to leverage already existing population health and reform efforts; and,
6. Other duties as assigned by the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) or the Governor.

COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

The Council will be composed of up to 15 members who are appointed and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Council will be administratively attached to the DPHHS. The Council will be made up of members from the following categories:

1. Public and private payers
2. Indian/Tribal health representatives
3. Healthcare providers
4. Regulators
5. Consumer and/or patient advocates
6. Healthcare experts
7. Government officials

COMPENSATION

Council members shall be eligible for compensation as defined under section 2-15-122(5) MCA, and shall be compensated in an amount to be determined by the DPHHS, not to exceed $50 for each day in which the member is actually and necessarily engaged in the performance of Council duties. All Council members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses.
DURATION

This Order is effective immediately, and the Council shall expire or be renewed by April 1, 2016.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Montana, this 28th day of October, 2015.

STEVE BULLOCK, Governor

ATTESTED:

LINDA McCULLOCH, Secretary of State