



## Agenda Item 9

February 19, 2014

**ITEM NAME:** Castlight Health – Project Overview and Member Engagement Tool Demonstration

**PROGRAM:** Health Benefits

**ITEM TYPE:** Information

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This information item provides an overview and online demonstration of the Castlight Health pilot project.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

This item supports the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Strategic Goal A: Improve long-term health benefit sustainability by implementing new approaches and expanding efforts already proven to reduce health care costs and improve health outcomes.

### **BACKGROUND**

In partnership with Castlight Health and Anthem Blue Cross, CalPERS is developing a two-year pilot project to integrate an online tool with our Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) product data. This integration will provide quality and cost information for various health procedures and services.

### **ANALYSIS**

Today's presenters Naomi Allen, Vice President of Product, Dr. Jennifer Schneider, Vice President of Strategic Analytics, and Ben Sommer, Regional Vice President of Sales, will provide an overview and online demonstration of the Anthem Blue Cross/Castlight health pilot project. The goal of this pilot is to help our PPO members make informed choices when selecting medical and pharmaceutical services. By making health care quality and cost information more transparent, members and their dependents will be empowered to take greater accountability for their health care choices. We also expect that some cost savings will be achieved as members become more aware of the cost of services. We will conduct a rigorous evaluation of the actual results of this pilot and report those findings.

### **BUDGET AND FISCAL IMPACTS**

Not Applicable

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Anthem Blue Cross and Castlight Overview, CalPERS Pension & Health Benefits Committee

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