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# UPCOMING COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 14
Product Standards Committee
Public Call
1:30 pm ET / 12:30 pm CT

Tuesday, September 21
Product Standards Committee
Regulator - to - Regulator Call
1:30 pm ET / 12:30 pm CT

Thursday, September 22
Finance Commitee
Public Call
3:00 pm ET / 2:00 pm ET

Tuesday, September 28
Joint Meeting of the
Management Committee and
Commission
2:00 pm ET / 1:00 pm CT

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# LETTER FROM KAREN SCHUTTER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings from the Compact! As summer is winding down and back to school is gearing up, the Compact and its members are winding down from its summer meeting and gearing up for a busy remainder of 2021.

Columbus was a great city to host a meeting! Who knew how thrilling it would



be to gather again in a windowless ballroom to discuss long-term care insurance? I am pleased so many people participated, both virtually and in-person. Two big shoutouts to the NAIC Meetings Team for executing the hybrid format so flawlessly, and to our own Treasurer, Commissioner Jim Dodrill, for stepping in to chair as Superintendent Dwyer's flight plans did not go according to plan!

Thank you for all who attended our reception as well. Great to see so many again, and a special thanks for the past Chairs in attendance: Jillian Froment, Roger Sevigny, Mary Jo Hudson, and Jane Cline.

A warm welcome to our newest member of the Compact, Delaware! In honor of Delaware's membership, I am pleased to highlight Commissioner Navarro as this month's Member Spotlight.

The Compact has a busy four months ahead as it addresses requests for changes to the iLTC standards, works on issues related to the Colorado Supreme Court opinion, prepares its 2022 annual budget and much more. We appreciate every member's involvement, and the team is always available to assist.

### **MEMBER CORNER**

For this edition, we profile the Compact's newest member. Delaware Commissioner Trinidad Navarro! Trinidad was elected in 2016 as the State of Delaware's 26th Insurance Commissioner. He was re-elected in 2020. In this role, he works to ensure insurance affordability and availability for residents as well as the accountability of insurance companies. Trinidad is a member of the NAIC and was elected by his peers to Chair the group's National Antifraud Taskforce. Additionally, Trinidad serves on many state boards such as the Delaware Health Care Commission, the State Employees Benefits Committee (SEBC), the Plans Management Board, the Council on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, and the Primary Care Reform Collaborative.

Commissioner Navarro has two daughters, Kylie and Hannah, and one son, Jordan. He resides in Bear, DE with his wife Melissa and youngest daughter Hannah.



#### COLUMBUS MEETING RECAP



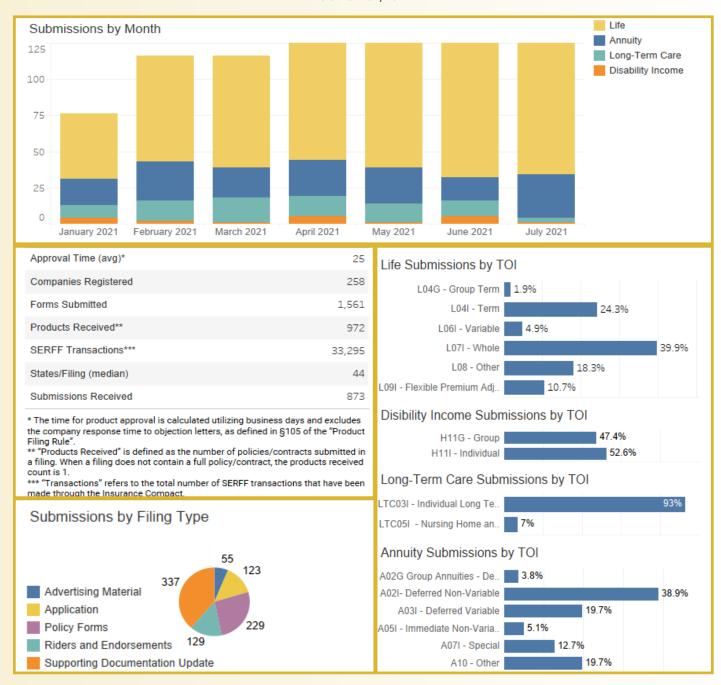
#### **MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

- There was a robust discussion about whether the Commission should amend or eliminate the 15% threshold in place for in-force rate increase requests on Compact-approved longterm care filings. Some members spoke in favor of eliminating the threshold, while others favored leaving it in place. ACLI and AHIP also informed members they will be submitting comments before the Joint Meeting of the Management Committee and Commission on September 28th, when final action is expected.
- Emergency Rule 3 (ER-3) was adopted to address the gap between the expiration of ER-2 and the effective date of permanent amendments to non-variable standards adopted on June 29th, which is October 13th. The minimum nonforfeiture rate in these standards now defaults to state law.
- The amendments to the Waiver of Premium and Waiver of Monthly Deduction standards and a new standard for Waiver of Surrender Charges were adopted. The effective date of these standards is November 29th.

- The Product Standards Committee (PSC) has a new Vice Chair! Congratulations to Andria Seip with the Iowa Insurance Division, and we thank her for her service to the PSC.
- Commissioner Afable delivered an update on the activities of the Governance Committee. They are evaluating the recommendation to recognize implied congressional consent and will be having more conversations with its fellow Commission members about the proposed courses of action under consideration in the coming weeks. Governance Committee is also working on a recommendation for proposed amendment to the Compact Bylaws.
- The PSC is also working to address two meaningful conflicts in Colorado while the Governance Committee further explores the recognition of implied congressional consent, as well as finalizing for public comment 2022 Uniform Standards Development Prioritization recommendation.

#### COMPACT PRODUCT FILING STATISTICS

AS OF JULY 31, 2021



## COMPACT SPOTLIGHT



#### **MEET SARA DUBSKY!**

Sara Dubsky joined the Compact in February 2007. Sara serves as the Assistant Director of Administrative Operations. She works closely with the Executive Director in managing the day-to-day operations of the Compact Office, including issuing the various notices required by the Compact's Rule and Bylaws. You may be familiar with Sara's name as a result of having received the call notices. Prior to joining the Compact, Sara was employed by two different members of the US House of Representatives. She has also worked on two different political campaigns, including one presidential. Sara lives with her family in the DC Metro area in the Maryland suburbs. Sara is currently in the process of training for her eighth Army Ten-Miler, her tenth ten miler overall.