

**Meeting Minutes of:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
PERINATAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (PAC)**

**April 14, 2016
1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.**

George W. Dunne Building 69 West Washington, 35th Floor Chicago, IL	IDPH Offices 535 West Jefferson, 5th Floor Springfield, IL
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Introductions

Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, Nirav Shah, called the meeting to order about 1:00 P.M. on Thursday April 14th, 2016. He noted that there would not be voting on a new PAC chair at this current meeting, but it would be done at the next meeting. **Action:** Alex to receive nominations.

Attendees

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Bree Andrews Beau Batton Richard Besinger Jennifer Brandenburg Lori Filock William Grobman Janet Hoffman Robin Jones Omar LaBlanc Phyllis Lawlor-Klean (phone) Stephen Locher Kai Tao (Lisa Masinter) Cindy Mitchell Jared Rogers (Phone) Phil Schaefer Linda Wheal Maripat Zeschke Jean Kosmatka (Phone)	Tanya Dworkin, IDPH April Johnson, IDPH Andrea Palmer, IDPH Miranda Scott, IDPH Trishna Harris, IDPH Alexander Smith, IDPH Amanda Bennett, IDPH Barb Haller Trish O'Malley Patricia Prentice Bernadette Taylor Elaine Shafer Cecilia Lopez Pam Wolfe Robyn Gude Angela Rodriguez Jodi Hoskins Andrea Catalano, CDC Dave Goodman, CDC
	Members Not In Attendance
	Mike Farrell Nancy Marshall (excused – Medical Leave) Lisa Masinter Howard Strassner

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Motions

1. **Motion to nominate William Grobman to temporary chair the meeting**
- 1st Cindy Mitchell, 2nd Stephen Locher, Unanimous Yes
2. **Motion to approve minutes from February 2016 and December 2015**
- 1st Stephen Locher, 2nd Jenny Brandenburg, Unanimous Yes
3. **Motion for a Zika Virus Task Force**
- 1st Jenny Brandenburg, 2nd Richard Besinger, Unanimous Yes
4. **Motion to nominate Richard Besinger as the chair of the Zika Virus Task Force**
- 1st Omar LaBlanc, 2nd Stephen Locher, Abstains – Richard Besinger, Unanimous Yes
5. **Motion to confirm SQC Chair, Stephen Locher**
- 1st Richard Besinger, 2nd Robin Jones, Abstains – Stephen Locher, Unanimous Yes
6. **Motion to suggest to vital records to add on the birth certificate “where the intended site of delivery was and who the intended primary provider is.”**
- 1st William Grobman, 2nd Stephen Locher, Unanimous Yes
7. **Motion to schedule a site visit for Advocate Trinity in August 2016 and they will come back before the Facilities in October of 2016.**
- 1st Cindy Mitchell, Abstains – Maripat, Unanimous Yes
8. **Motion to adjourn**

Minutes

The minutes from December 2015 and April 2016 were approved.

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Agenda Items

1. IDPH Update

Temporary PAC Chair

- The Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, Nirav Shah, asked for a nomination for a temporary chair. Dr. William Grobman was nominated, he accepted, and was accepted with a unanimous approval.

Zika Task Force

- Dr. Shah, presented on the Zika Virus. It was an update concerning the Department's efforts on keeping the general public, as well as health officials, up to date on the latest information surrounding the virus.
- IDPH would be seeking assistance from the PAC to come up with nominations for a task force that would form a diverse group of backgrounds.
- The main goal of the task of the task force is to show transparency.
- Some of the questions the Director posed that he would ask of this specific task force is:
 1. Ways this plan could be used as a basis for information flow? The best/fastest conduits of getting the information out.
 2. The overall communications (especially with the public)
 3. What education would need to be given to providers?
 4. Practical diagnostic steps
 5. And issues that might come up that would be specific to individual perinatal networks/regions.
- Motion: There was a motion to create the task force with unanimous approval.
- Action Item: The recommendations for the task force were to be sent to Alex Smith from IDPH to collect on behalf of the director and the elected chairperson.
- Motion: There was a motion to nominate Richard Besinger to be the chair of the task force. He accepted and was approved by the committee.

New Member Introductions

- After Director Shah was done speaking to the group all of the new members did a quick introductions of themselves:
 1. Yesenia Yepez
 2. Lori Filock

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3. Beau Batton
4. Linda Wheal
5. Jean Kosmatka

CoIIN – Risk Appropriate Care

- Raye-Ann O de Regnier spoke about efforts made by the CoIIN group. IDPH Director has composed a medical studies act letter. The group has currently sent out a form/survey, in addition to the medical studies act letter, to hospitals to complete and send back to IDPH. It focuses on very low birth weight and ways to improve deliveries. Using the data from the survey the group will form strategies.
- The group is also participating in the States Together initiative from the Vermont Oxford Network.

LOCATe Tool

- Amanda Bennett from IDPH gave a quick report on the LOCATe tool which has been used to assist the Levels of Care task force meetings.
- It is a hospital self-reporting system in which they report on their services, resources, and personnel
- The goal of LOCATe is to obtain objective and comparable data across Illinois hospitals to understand delivery. It helps inform decisions based on the changes proposed to the perinatal system.
- The Centers for Disease Control was also in attendance and gave some further input into LOCATe's purpose
 1. The tool is designed to find and close gaps where services are falling short. Give interpretations where the wording can be a little loose.
 2. ACOG needed an assessment tool. They wanted an onsite validation to follow in the footsteps and at least get some initial data. It started with California, but wanted more diversity. ACOG also has an interest in the tool so they are collaborating with CDC.
 3. LOCATe is the bare minimum in terms of trying to designate a hospital. In other words, the tool should not be solely used to determine a hospital's level of care.

IDPH Legal

- IDPH's legal team wanted to remind everyone about attendance. Missing more than half of meetings, unexcused, scheduled in a calendar year can result in removal from the committee.
- When sending sensitive documents (HIPAA, Closed Meetings, etc) make sure it is password protected and send the password itself in a separate e-mail.

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2. Chair Update

- None at the moment. New chair to be elected at the next meeting.

3. Old Business

SQC Chair

- Motion to confirm Stephen Locher as the SQC Chair passed with unanimous approval.

4. New Business

Advisement on Level III Standards of Care (Neo Surgery 640.43)

- This issue came up in Levels of Care: a question about the neonatal surgical services being available 24/7 at a level III hospital. Are we interpreting this to mean they can have accessibility to do the surgery or are the hospitals required to have services available even if they only do one a month or one a year?
- A problem with it was: If a lot of hospitals are at this level of care and are required to have the neonatal surgeon on staff, how much skill will a surgeon have if they only do one a year or very few in a year.
- How do you interpret what it is meant by “available.”
- The PAC decided to leave it up to the Levels of Care task force to come up with the recommendation to the PAC.
 1. It was also decided to make sure they have a surgeon on site and what surgeries they do versus what the facility needs to send out.
- The perinatal network administrators will discuss at their coming meetings as to what they will do in the interim regarding 640.43.

5. Committee Updates

Levels of Care

- The group is continuing to move forward. They have decided to recommend to adopt the maternal levels of care designation system. Still working out the neonate levels of care.
- Should not be any more than two meetings left.

Maternal Mortality Review Committee

- In reviewing the cases they noticed some common themes: cardiovascular/congenital heart disease disease, lack of post partum follow-up, patient provider education.

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- Dr. Brilller spoke to the MMRC group and said pregnancy unmask chronic disease, predicts future disease, and an opportunity for intervention.
- The OB Hemorrhage project happened and went through the train the trainer process. It has, thus far, positive results.

Maternal Mortality Review Violent Deaths

- Had their first meeting. They reviewed five cases.
- The committee has decided to take turns as to who does the abstracting.
- They want to add more people to their group: addictionologist, police officer, trauma specialist, pediatric specialist.
- The PAC decided they want the resumes before there is a vote to add members.

Statewide Quality Council

- Welcomed their new member, Jean Goodman.
- The LOCATe update from Amanda.
- Medicaid update: LARC (Long Acting Reversible Contraception) update that will increase access for patients in the state.
- Ann Borders presented on ILPQC updates: the birth certificate project has moved into sustainability and maternal hypertension had a roll out (a 2 year plan).
- March of Dimes had an update on antenatal steroids.
- Golden Hour has data that is being entered into red cap
- Motion to suggest to vital records to add on the birth certificate “where the intended site of delivery was and who the intended primary provider is.” Unanimous Approval.

Hospital Facilities Designation

- Looking at proposed changes of Rule 640.
 1. 640.5 Is for New Designation
 2. 640.6 is for a redesignation
- Birthing center updates: 1 has opened and 1 has not yet opened.
- Advocate Trinity Hospital came before the committee for their 18 month review of changing from a level II to a level II+

6 . Closing and Voting

The meeting was closed for the discussion of the to discuss the hospital to go from a level II to a level II+ for the HFDSC committee.

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When the session was reopened, the committee made the motion to schedule a site visit for Advocate Trinity in August 2016 and they will come back before the Facilities in October of 2016. It went through unanimous approval and Maripat abstains.

Closing

William Grobman moved for the meeting to be adjourned.