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Meeting Minutes of:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Maternal Mortality Review Committee – Violent Deaths (MMRC-V)

January 23, 2018
 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 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

Meeting was called to order about 10:00 AM. Everyone introduced themselves and what agency they are from. Since there were new members to the committee, the members also gave further introduction of themselves.

Attendees

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Maripat Zeschke (Chair) Thomas Barker Stacie Geller Nora Harms-Pavelski (Phone) Katherine Kane-Willis Jo Kim Carrie Klima Jerome Loew Bahakia Madison Denise McCaffrey Cindy Mitchell Jaclyn Rodriguez Shirley Scott Lita Simanis Vickie Smith Amber Truehart Teresa Tudor (Phone) Carole Warshaw (Phone)	Catherine Adalakun, IDPH Amanda Bennett, IDPH Tanya Dworkin, IDPH Trishna Harris, IDPH Ashley Horne, IDPH Christi Jackson, IDPH Andrea Palmer, IDPH Virginia Reising, IDPH Miranda Scott, IDPH Alexander Smith, IDPH Kelly Vrablic, IDPH Franchesca Hammond
Members Not In Attendance	
	Deborah Boyle (excused) Erica Davis Kara Driscoll (excused) Robert Gessner (excused) Cindy Guerra Abby Koch (excused) Jennifer Martin (excused)

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Motions

1. **Motion to approve minutes from October 2017.**
 - 1st Stacie Geller, 2nd Shirley Scott, Unanimous Yes.
2. **Motion to close session to review the cases/abstracts.**
 - 1st Shirley Scott, 2nd Jerome Loew, Unanimous Yes
3. **Motion to adjourn the meeting**
 - 1st Jo Kim, 2nd Katherine Kane-Willis, Unanimous Yes

Minutes

The minutes from October 2017 were approved with a motion from Stacie Geller and a second from Shirley Scott. Passed with unanimous approval.

Agenda Items

1. IDPH Update

- The Illinois Department of Public Health was on hand to give a few updates.
- There is a joint Levels of Care committee coming up tomorrow, January 24th, between the groups looking at Levels I and II and the group looking at Levels III and IV.
- IDPH is sending people to AMCHP to get further training on moving the maternal death recommendations into policy.
- The CDC is releasing a report on maternal deaths. Illinois is represented in some of the cases.
- If the group has any recommendations to take to the CDC visit, to give them to either Amanda Bennett or Shannon Lightner.
- IDPH's IT department is setting up a database in conjunction with the MMRIA system from the CDC.
- IDPH Intern, Virginia Reising, spoke briefly about the project she has been working on since coordinating with IDPH.
 - o She is resource mapping treatment for women with opioid addiction.

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- She has found about 80 resources and is finalizing the design and specific tool for the mapping.

2. Closed Session for Case Review and New Members

- The session was closed approximately at 10:17 AM to review the eight cases to be presented to the committee.

3. Debrief

- Amanda Bennett spoke about the rest of 2015 and where they are at for completing the cases for the year.
- Discussion on if pending investigations should be reviewed.
- Discussion on the direction of the committee in terms of what the committee should be reviewing? Is it worth it review certain cases as opposed to others?
- Suggestions included:
 - Possibility of adding another subcommittee?
 - Reduce cases based on the timeline of the homicides?
 - Include a checklist of previous recommendations with the cases themselves.
 - Access to prescription drug monitoring program possible?
- Are there any missing disciplines or voices?
 - ED/ER doctor
 - Discussed if having local health departments would be beneficial. IE having someone from a LHD call in if the case happened in their specific county.
 - Someone from the Northwest portion of Illinois.

4. Next Steps

- Doodle poll for late spring for 8 cases to review
- While wrapping up case year 2015 at the next meeting, IDPH requested that the group brainstorm ideas for relaying information or trends to the public.

Adjournment

1st Jo Kim motioned to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 PM, 2nd Katherine Kane-Willis with a unanimous approval.