



# Hepatitis C Taskforce Minutes

Feb 5, 2014

- I. Call to order
- II. Introduction of members in attendance

Rep. Michael McAuliffe  
Senator Pam Althoff  
Senator Tony Munoz  
Kim Morreale McAullife  
Dr. Oluwatoyin (Falusi) Adeyemi  
Dr. Janak Koirala  
Rich Zimmerman  
Cynthia "Cindy" Russell (IL Pharm. Assn.)  
Dr. Kathy Ritger  
Mike Jones  
Dr. Hong Liu  
Craig Conover  
Harry Sawyer  
Glendean Sisk

- III. Election of a chairman
  - a. Sen. Munoz nominates Rep. McAuliffe
  - b. Sen. Althoff Seconds
  - c. All in Favor
- IV. Proposed Meeting schedule
  - i. Taskforce decides it will be emailed around for best scheduling days
- V. Review of state legislation

- a. Dr. Conover states the Senate Bill as written will be seen by medical professionals as a liability test
- b. Ms. Ritger suggests that primary care physicians need to be involved.
- c. Dr. Conover states there is room for education in the field of unsafe injection practices and the risk of Hep c from injection.
- d. Ms. Morreale McAuliffe states she is grateful for the 100 percent support from the task force and that she hopes the task force can educate policy makers, the media, the public and medical professionals on Hepatitis C in Illinois.

VI. Proposals of taskforce goals

VII. Other business

- a. Ms. Wolf from Caring Ambassadors gives a quick overview of caring ambassadors and Hepatitis in Illinois.

VIII. Adjournment