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**Meeting Minutes of:**  
**ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH - PERINATAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Hospital Facilities Designation Sub-Committee Meeting (HFDSC)**

June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

<b>IDPH Office</b> <b>69 W. Washington St.,</b> <b>35<sup>th</sup> Floor</b> <b>Chicago, IL</b>	<b>IDPH Offices</b> <b>535 West Jefferson</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup> Floor</b> <b>Springfield, IL</b>
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**Attendees**

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Cindy Mitchell Adriena Beatty Jenny Brandenburg Robyn Gude Rick Pearl (Phone) Srikumar Pillai (Phone) Phil Schaefer Howard Strassner Melissa Zahnd	Tanya Dworkin, IDPH Trishna Harris, IDPH Miranda Scott, IDPH Shannon Lightner, IDPH Snigdha Acharya, IDPH Andrea Palmer, IDPH Tanya Dworkin, IDPH  Cecilia Lopez Lori Filock Andrea Cross Elaine Shafer Maripat Zeschke Jodi Hoskins Shirley Scott Debbie Schy Myra Sabini
	<b>Members Not In Attendance</b>
	Urmila Chaudry (excused) Dennis Crouse

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## **Introductions**

The Chair, Cindy Mitchell, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 A.M. on Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. She then asked everyone around the room to introduce themselves.

## **Motions**

1. **Motion to approve April 2017 minutes**  
1<sup>st</sup> Jenny Brandenburg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Adriena Beatty, Unanimous Approval
2. **Motion to adjourn**  
Unanimous Approval

## **Minutes**

- The minutes from the April 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved.

## **IDPH Updates**

- The Levels of Care group continues to move forward and all of the groups have met.

## **Agenda Items**

### Work Plan

- There are three hospitals that reduced their level of care and will be looked at in the coming meeting in August.
- A few hospitals have closed their OB and gone down to a Level 0.
- Revisits coming at the end of the year in December.
- A couple hospitals want to change networks and will be discussed later in the meeting.

### Policy on Change of Networks

- The process for network change was passed out to the committee.
- The group was focusing on Section 8.
- A draft list of questions to ask each hospital planning a change of network was discussed.
- IDPH asked the committee to also make sure there was questions surrounding keeping the spirit of regionalization.

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- Some questions reviewed and topics discussed:
  - o Why do you request this change?
  - o Is this request due to an administrative concern or a provider concern, and what is it/why?
  - o How has the hospital already engaged with the (Administrative Perinatal Center) APC they're going to?
  - o Why does the receiving APC want to accept the hospital?
  - o Distance/travel time and impact on transportation/patient impacts
  - o Transfer logs from hospital changing networks and referral patterns
  - o Consultation and exception logs from hospital changing network
  - o What is the receiving APC's plan for oversight and education, including Regional Quality Councils (RQC), and M&Ms, and how will you integrate the new hospital into the network?
  - o Will referral patterns change?
  - o Bypass logs for both APCs and the Level 3 they're sending to if they're sending outside the APC
  - o What is the benefit for the patient/family? What is the burden?
  - o Will patients/families end up traveling further for care
  - o Will receiving network be overburdened? Please describe capacity issues, physician staffing issues, and other resources of the receiving APC.
  - o What's the impact on the old APC? Will it affect any of the patients that will remain in their network?
  - o Where would the sending APC divert patients to (if the leaving hospital is a Level 3) and there's no other Level 3 in the network?
- Reason for denial of network transfer discussion:
  - o Spreading out of grant dollars
  - o Administrative oversight for hospitals in the network – is there a conflict of interest in switching networks
  - o If it leaves a network with no other Level 3 hospitals and the APC is constantly on bypass, and the receiving APC can't make arrangements for patients to go to another Level 3
  - o There's no working plan for the receiving APC to educate, oversee M&Ms, etc.
  - o Issues of access, quality, and family satisfaction
  - o Other concerns addressed during the face-to-face meeting
- The group would also want to see the letter from the site visit with recommendations to know what else to ask during the meeting
- **Action item:** Committee to review 250 rule.

## Closing

- At approximately 12:05 PM the meeting was adjourned.

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**Next Meeting**

August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 9:30 AM.