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Meeting Minutes of:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Levels of Care: Levels I and II (LOC)

August 25th, 2017
 2:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

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

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Raye Ann de Regnier Yesenia Yopez Sue Hesse (Phone) Omar LaBlanc Jessica Mossman (Phone) Robert Walsh	Alexander Smith, IDPH Shannon Lightner, IDPH Miranda Scott, IDPH Tanya Dworkin, IDPH Carol Rosenbusch Cecilia Lopez Myra Sabini Lisa Weber Robyn Gude
	Members Not In Attendance
	Deborah Boyle (excused) Melissa Hilt

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Motions

1. **Motion to approve the minutes from July 2017.**
 - Yesenia Yepez 1st, Omar LaBlanc 2nd, Unanimous yes.
2. **Motion to adjourn.**
 - Robert Walsh 1st, Yesenia Yepez 2nd, Unanimous yes.

Introductions and Welcome

- Raye Ann called the meeting to order and went around the room and on the phone doing introductions.

Minutes

- The minutes from July 2017 were reviewed and approved with a unanimous yes.

Agenda Items

1. IDPH Update

- The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) staff spoke about the cross team meeting coming up October 19th. It is happening between the Hospital Facilities Designation Committee, Levels of Care: Site Visits, and Levels of Care: Designation, Redesignation, and Change of Network
- IDPH also covered the need (sooner rather than later) for an implementation group. It will be helmed by Bree Andrews from the Perinatal Advisory Committee
- Asked the committee to look at implementation concerns.
- IDPH is not ignoring the maternal levels of care, but cannot do the designation system at the moment

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2. Homework/Work Outstanding from previous meeting

KiloWeight – Raye-Ann

- Raye-Ann went over the kiloweight during the meeting and looked at 2 kilo weight. Historically there is no weight cut off at level I care hospitals. The committee wanted to look into research that would help prove/disprove.
- Found articles that support the cut off for kilo weight.
- 96% of births are 2 kilos or more.
- 2 Kilos discussion when paired with 35 week gestational age.
- Historically there is no weight cut off in terms level I care hospitals.
- The group decided to go with 2 kilos and 35 week gestational age. Will vote at a later meeting.

“Physiologically Stable” Definition – Jessica/Sue

- The group found that the term “physiologically stable” is hard to define.
- Discussion topics:
 - 4-6 would require a consult, Tachypnea to have oxygen at 90.
 - Discussion around physiologically stable after transition.
 - A possible way to define physiologically stable in the negative, “an infant who does not need.”
 - Be as descriptive as possible by: including, excluding, or exactly describing
 - Q: How long do you stay after baby is born? A: Practical POV, depends on the age and other variations.
 - Better route is to dictate consult and not transfer?
 - Discussion on consult: deteriorating vital signs at 2 hours.
 - Persistently Abnormal or Worsening Vital Signs at 1 hour of life.
 - Leave as physiologically stable and have it defined in the definitions section.
 - A hospital should have a policy for when the physician is notified that is agreed upon with an APC. Should include: How much time, vitals, o2 requirements, when to check in. Give guidelines on how comprehensive the policy should be.
- Decided that the group will come back to the issue later, but will want a physiologically stable definition.

Neonatal MD Chair Requirements

- Robert Walsh did some research and thought that the AAP definition was a good start with a few additions
- If they are not an OB/GYN or a pediatrician with a special competence in neonatal care and completion of ongoing/continuous medical education.
- There was discussion around if the doctor to care for the babies would include board certified, what type of education would be needed, and the different competency requirements.

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- The committee is going to look at what board eligible means for each of the different disciplines.
- If not a pediatrician or a family practice then they will need: x, y, and z.
- Want to look at the ACOG Neonatal Director language.
- Be careful with language around: chair, director, chief.

Next Steps

- IDPH will look at the ACOG paper.
- Yesenia and Raye Ann will look at what needs to be focused on and will assign some homework
- The plans to continue looking at the Level I requirements.

5. Public Comment

- There was no public comment at 3:15 PM.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Robert Walsh 1st, Yesenia Yopez 2nd, Unanimous yes.