

Meeting Minutes of:

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH - PERINATAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Hospital Facilities Designation Sub-Committee Meeting (HFDSC)

October 10, 2024 | 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. | Location: Webex

Attendees:

<u>Members in Attendance</u>	<u>IDPH</u>	<u>Guest</u>	<u>Members Not in Attendance</u>
Hoskins, Jodi Javed, M. Jawad Sorce, Joanne Stewart, Diedra Stupek, Christina Zahnd, Melissa Zeschke, Maripat (Chair) Mels, Autumn Pillai, Srikumar	Diaz, Leandra Harris, Trishna Hedges, Tonya Martin, Nancy Nege, Joquine Smith, Alexander Vazquez-Plaza, Natalia Kelly, Hillary Gold, Rebecca Willis, Greg	Cross, Andrea Asad, Ansul Caruso, April Thompson, Connie Ashford, Daniell Pillers, De-Ann Klamm, Hannah Benbrook, Keri Sabini, Myra Culvey, Paula Allen, Roma Swain, Susie Bingley, Emily	Aprahamian, Charles Beatty, Adriena Shupe, Casey Strassner, Howard Brandenberg, Jennifer

Motions

- Motion to approve minutes from the August 2024 meeting.**
1st Jawad Javed, 2nd Autumn Mels, the group unanimously approved.
- Motion to Adjourn**
1st Jodi Hoskins, 2nd Jawad Javed, the group unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEMS

Call to Order & Roll Call

The Chair, Maripat Zeschke, called the meeting to order. Hillary Kelly conducted roll call and asked guests to respond in the chat box with their name and association.

Review/Vote of Minutes from June 2024

The agenda was reviewed. August 2024 Minutes were reviewed and voted.

1st Jodi Hoskins, 2nd Jawad Javed, the group unanimously approved.

Updates: Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)

- 640: a full document has been submitted to the IDPH Policy Advisement team for review.
- The Illinois Women and Families Health Conference: **October 15-16, 2024-in Bloomington**
- **ILPQC 12th Annual Conference: 10/30/2024 at the Westin Lombard.**
- New Maternal Health and **Birth Equity** Initiatives at South Side Birth Center. 4M Funding. NOFO coming soon.
- IDPH staffing changes: Cassidy CHAMBERS (Title V Block Grant Coordinator) and Shannon Lightner (Deputy Director) have transitioned out of IDPH. We wish them well.
- Fetal and Infant Mortality Data Report was released in September. [infant-mortality-data-report-2024.pdf](#)
- E-PeriNet system changes upcoming.

Work Plan Review

- Kishwaukee Hospital desires to move from level II to level IIE.
 - Site visit scheduled for May 2025.
 - Have spent the last 1.5 years working on this implementation.
 - Now have a neonatologist 24 hours a day.
 - 9/24/2024 they forwarded their letter to Trishna Harris.
 - 10/17/2024 meeting scheduled with review board to assess compliance issues. They have been working on education.
 - Plan to come before the committee in August 2025.
- St. Elizabeth Hospital, Ottawa, IL to move from a level II to a level I
 - Susie Swain was at the meeting to confirm provide details.
 - Change is a result of the lack of resources and the decision to move OB to another location in 2025. Awaiting maternal levels of care first.
 - They will come before the committee on December 12, 2024 and this will be added to the agenda.

Old Business

- EMS discussion: no new information to add.
- Implementation of rule changes.
 - Discussion of adding more meetings in 2026 to accommodate.
 - Discussion of creating a new group to help think through the new rule changes and need HFDSC representation in the new discussion group.
 - Discussion about where to start with the review- maternal levels of care or level IIE as priority.
 - **Discussion regarding the ability to conduct site visits for maternal and perinatal together, or separately.**

- ☐ Trishna added it will most likely need to be two separate visits and will require more IDPH staff.
- ☐ Members expressed concern for the new process and the high requirement of their teams to meet the demand.
- ☐ All are open to new ideas. Please send questions to Alexander Smith @ IDPH.
- As previously discussed, meeting frequency may increase. IDPH suggested monthly will suffice.
- **This topic will remain on the agenda.**
- SOP for hospital designation requests.
 - Maripat Z. and Jodi H. have been crafting a checklist for hospitals that are preparing to level up.
 - Ideally, training will be completed prior to coming before the committee.
 - Especially clinical training.
 - Discussion about education/degrees being added to this process.
 - Members reviewed and added suggestions to the checklist.

New Business: No new business.

Public Comment: No public comment.

Adjournment: With nothing further to discuss, Jodi Hoskins made the motion to adjourn, and Jawad Javed seconded the motion- the group unanimously approved.



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