

**State Board of Health Rules Committee**

**August 17, 2023**

**1:00pm-3:00pm**

**Minutes**

Video Recording:

Meeting recording can be viewed [here](#)

Minutes

1. Call to Order

- a. Present: Damon Arnold, David Taewoong Chung, Rashmi Chugh, Jack Herrmann, Yvette Johnson-Walker, Abel Kho, Juleigh Nowinski Konchak, Joe O'Connor, Angela Oberreiter, Julie Pryde, Karen Phelan, Erica Salem, Esther Sciammarella, Susan Swider
- b. Absent: Pilar Guerrero, Nathan Hoffmann
- c. IDPH staff present: Sheila Baker, Joan Ehrhardt, Sheila Jefferson, Don Jones, Ginger Mullin, Allison Nickrent, Erica Nolen, Janice Phillips, Kathyleen Pitner, Emily Spangler, Tracey Trigillo, Greg Willis
- d. Mention of the various events in the month of August.

2. Public Comment- n/a

3. Director's Office Updates—Dr. Janice Phillips, Assistant Director

Assistant Director Phillips welcomed, followed by her words. Some items to potentially talk about for next meeting.

4. Review of Administrative Rules

- a. [77 IAC 581 Loan Repayment for Physicians](#) - Approved for filing with Secretary of State for First Notice
  - b. [77 IAC 590 Underserved Health Care Provider Workforce Code](#) - Approved for filing with Secretary of State for First Notice
- These two Rules were mostly covered together in discussion. Don Jones discussed the purpose of this rulemaking, noted that 581 has never been funded, but 590 has been funded. Point is to add certain professions to the language.
  - Damon Arnold suggested some clarifications. Don Jones explained aspects of the language which seemed to meet the satisfaction of Damon Arnold.
  - Other questions were asked by Susan Swider, regarding education; Juleigh Konchak, regarding an AMA citation; Abel Kho, regarding loans and other states; JA Herrmann, regarding Federal loans and criteria; and Damon Arnold, regarding CRNAs. Don Jones provided answers.
  - David Chung made a motion to fix language relating to chiropractor medicine. Don Jones agreed that the change is warranted.
  - Rashmi Chugh had a question regarding two definitions and primary care physician. Don Jones explained the rationale.

c. [77 IAC 661 Newborn and Infant Screening and Treatment Code/77 IAC 662 Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Code REPEALER](#) - Approved for filing with Secretary of State for First Notice

- Joan Ehrhardt provided background on the Rule change.
- Damon Arnold thought it might be better to rearrange some of the construction section re: audiologist. Joan Ehrhardt agreed.
- Damon Arnold asked for a clarification in the definition of bilateral pass. Susan Swider provided a better definition for this, one that Ginger Mullin and Damon Arnold agreed to.
- Damon Arnold made a suggestion in the structure in the sentence on line 144 re: cortisol. Point was agreed.
- Juleigh Konchak had a question on page 9 line 322; Ginger Mullin informed on the correct citation.
- Susan Swider had a question on the measurement page 10 line 364-366. Ginger Mullin informed and it was understood.
- Damon Arnold had an inquiry re: rural communities where this practitioner is not readily available, is there a deferential impact to these communities? Conversation ensued.
- David Chung provided insight re: his rural health experience and the challenges of specialty care and insurance companies.

5. New Business

a. Climate Change Presentation—Dr. Jack Herrmann

- Jack Herrmann had an exercise for the group to work on similar in style to a Community Health Assessment.
- A suggestion was made by Rashmi Chugh to include local health depts on 2<sup>nd</sup> bullet point regarding CC webpage and education. A: agreement to include LHD, and IDPH staff. Janice Phillips also made a comment to also educate communities.
- Further discussion ensued regarding components of webpage and education. The thought of having a coordinator was strongly recommended.
- Participants gave their total scores. JA Herrmann will assess later.
- The group had discussion based on the exercise according to their scores/assessments and experience. Juleigh Konchak asked/made a comment about how resources are needed.
- Does the GO have any person targeted to be coordinator/climate change Czar or is it really the opportunity or expectation of the agency? The members discussed multiple aspects of having a coordinator and most agreed of the importance of someone needed in this role.
- Erica Salem made the comment / lead for confirmation that money budget requests, don't have to come exclusively from the Director of IDPH; she gave an example of her organization. Allison Nickrent gave an answer regarding the asking for certain budgetary priorities and that IDPH would do the lobbying for the agency pertaining to common agreed goals and objectives.

6. Upcoming meetings:

a. **STATE BOARD OF HEALTH 11:00 - 1:30 PM**

- i. September 7
  - ii. December 7
- b. **STATE BOARD OF HEALTH RULES COMMITTEE 1:00 – 3:00 PM**
  - i. November 9
- c. **STATE BOARD OF HEALTH POLICY COMMITTEE 1:00 - 3:00 PM**
  - i. August 24
  - ii. November 16

Adjournment