

Meeting Minutes of:

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH - Statewide Quality Council (SQC)

Wednesday, October 15th, 2025 | 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Location: WebEx

Attendees:

<u>Members in Attendance</u>	<u>IDPH</u>	<u>Guest</u>	<u>Members Not in Attendance</u>
Adonis, Michael Allen, Roma Borders, Ann Boyle, Deborah (Vice Chair) Brandenburg, Jennifer Brennan, Rita Hoskins, Jodi Klamm, Hannah Lee King, Patti Locher, Steven (Chair) Meints, Laura Rodriguez, Angela Zeschke, Maripat	Diaz, Leandra Harris, Trishna Hedges, Tonya Kelly, Hillary Smith, Alexander Wilson, Sierra Bergo, Cara Melesse, Biniyam Wang, Jessica Masinter, Lisa	Ashford, Daniell Benbrook, Keri Caruso, April Cross, Andrea Cuarto, Mark Irwin, Tracy Lemmenes, Donna Loiacono, Stephanie Ortiz, Jose Puthenpurakal, Mathew Puthen, Joe Riley, Melissa Sorce, Joann Solomon, Britt Stewart, Diedra Stupek, Christina Swain, Susie Tolemy, Dave Woo, Joyce Vuckovcich, Kimberly O'Connel, Megan Dougherty, Michael Sabini, Myra Khan, Taha	Excused: Al-Khaled, Dana Caldarelli, Leslie Lou, Lily Qureshi, Madiha Rosburg, KC Kopec, Gretchen

Motions

- 1. Motion to approve minutes from the June 2025 meeting.**
1st R. Brennan 2nd H. Klamm, the group unanimously approved.
- 2. Motion to Adjourn**
1st P. King, 2nd A. Borders, the group unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEMS

Call to Order & Roll Call

The Chair, Steve Locher, called the meeting to order in accordance with the scheduled meeting time. Hillary Kelly completed roll call and asked guests to respond in the chat box with their name and association.

Review/Approval of Minutes from June 2025

- June 2025 Minutes were reviewed.

Motion: 1st M. Qureshi, 2nd D. Al-Khaled motioned, and the group unanimously approved.

Updates: Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)

- Staffing changes at IDPH:
 - Biniyam Melesse has joined the IDPH team as the Perinatal Data Coordinator.
 - Jessica Wang has joined the team to serve as an intern with Lisa.
 - Lead nurse and MCH Director are in process, and the MCH Director position will begin interviews in December.
- 640 updates:
 - Moving through the final editing process before moving on to the Governor's Office.
- MANDI updates
 - AlertIT team to present on MANDI today.
 - Now fully implemented
- IDPH Maternal Health Summit- invitation only. All PAC, SQC, and HFDSC members should have received an invite.
- One Net training reminder. Trainings were due in September. Please reach out to Alex and Hillary if experiencing issues.

Old Business

- No old business

New Business

- AlertIT presentation on MANDI system.
- Network Admin Updates
 - Met with new e-PeriNet system team, Alert IT:
 - Thinking of names, open to suggestions.
 - Will have a similar look to e-PeriNet at first
 - Working on consolidating abstracts
 - Testing as able, and moving forward well
 - Hemorrhage project updates:
 - Educators have taken over the updating process
 - Should be complete in November, then off to MFMs in perinatal networks to review.
 - Goal is to complete the project in December.
 - Following completion of the project, will be seeking a letter of support from IDPH.
 - Perinatal Abstraction Form
 - 10/1-12/31 is the pilot period
 - Discussed the purpose of perinatal case review and why to create a standardized form.
 - Survey responses were great, and still looking for feedback.

Illinois Perinatal Quality Collaborative (ILPQC) Updates:

- In-person on November 12th, 2025- ILPQC's 13th annual conference.
- PMH Initiative

Getting Started with the PMH Initiative: Celebrating Success!



79 hospital teams participating

99% of teams have submitted PMH QI team rosters

99% of teams have submitted readiness surveys



80% of teams have submitted patient level baseline data

80% of teams have submitted hospital baseline data



Illinois Perinatal Quality Collaborative

- Data collection and webinar updates
- Looking for feedback on the PMH toolkit
- ESSI updates
- Sustainability updates
 - Will be presenting designation award regarding vaginal and birth equity
- Team Birth Initiative
 - Will be working in small groups, 8 hospitals at a time. Small groups allowing for big support.
- Community doula training
 - ILPQC sponsored and have awarded 43 doula scholarships for training and Medicaid certification.
- Office hours
 - Tuesdays at noon, and Thursdays at 1 pm.

Public Comment

- No public comment

Adjournment

With nothing further to discuss, P. King made 1st motion to adjourn, and A. Borders seconded the motion, the members unanimously approved.