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**Infant and Maternal Mortality Task Force Among African Americans (IMMT)
Systems Subcommittee**

Tuesday, April 6, 2021 12:00 pm | 1 hour | (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)

Meeting Minutes

Present

Angelique Muhammad
Arden Handler
Catherine Harth
Cindy Mitchell
Glenda Burnett
Glendean Burton
Jessica Davenport
Shondra Clay
Timika Anderson Reeves
Jessica Lamberson
Jeanine Logan

Isabella Eliopulos- Chicago Documenters
Kimberly Tenorio MCH intern ACCESS
Princess Alexander
R. McGee
Ameen- would not identify themselves upon request
IDPH
Trishna Harris
Kenya McRae

Guests

Ananya Stoller

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Call to Order

The subcommittee meeting began at 12:05 pm per Glendean Burton. Roll was taken and the agenda reviewed.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the March 9, 2021 meeting were approved. Cindy Mitchell made the motion to approve, Catherine Harth seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Agenda Item: Votes for 2021 direction briefly reviewed.

Discussion: Catherine Harth and Glendean Burton will contact committee members via email individually to develop subgroups related to interest.

Action items: Emails to committee members from Catherine and Glendean prior to May meeting.

Agenda Item: Review of HB0158

Discussion: No discussion of this portion of the agenda due to time constraints. Catherine and Glendean suggested that all members to review the detailed HB.

Action items: All committee members to review HB0158 in detail from the copy that was given to each member prior to this meeting.

Agenda Item: Impromptu item added to agenda; HFS inquiry regarding language for a bill.

Discussion: Staffers for one of the state Senators included in a bill. There is some concern regarding the provider types, the paragraph is the only time they're mentioned by name in the report. In some cases, HFS does not have a good feel (e.g., public health nurse) for what services they'd be billing for or how they intended the billing and payment to work.

Coordination of care; how will the care be coordinated? Can be mirrored to the Early Intervention systems where all care of services is being provided for that individual patient at the same time. An addendum will be addressed in the next report that will go out. Dr. Borders previously discussed breastfeeding peer counselors in another meeting. Doulas have multiple ways of being certified, there is not one certifying body for all Doulas; DONA is one, but there are so many, and certification is not mandatory, per Jeanine Logan. Arden Handler would like to remove "perinatal" doulas and change to cover every area of care of maternal care instead of just around the pregnancy; Cindy mentioned the definition in the new neonatal code will provide a definition of "perinatal" which would include all areas. In language for the bill it is defined as before, during and after childbirth.

Action items: Some members will attend upcoming meeting in regard to this HFS inquiry.

Public Comments

No public comments.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 pm. Cindy Mitchell made the motion, Pastor Angelique seconded, and the group unanimously approved.

Next meeting, May 4, 2021, 12pm-1pm.