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**Meeting Minutes of:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH - PERINATAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Maternal Mortality Review Committee (MMRC)**

**October 10, 2018
9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.**

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

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Robin L. Jones Robert Abrams Katherine Austman Jennifer Banayan Deborah Boyle Joan Briller Abby Koch Olga Lazala Jerome Loew Gary Loy Lisa Masinter Paula Melone (Phone) Frank Nagorka (Phone) Heather Nixon (Phone) Beth Plunkett Donald Reese Barbara Scavone Shirley Scott Lee Smith Michael Socol Patrick Thornton Paloma Toledo	Amanda Bennett, IDPH Tanya Dworkin, IDPH Trishna Harris, IDPH Abigail Holicky, IDPH Ashley Horne, IDPH Shannon Lightner, IDPH Nancy Martin, IDPH Andrea Palmer, IDPH Miranda Scott, IDPH Alexander Smith, IDPH Roma Allen Daniell Ashford Andrea Cross David Deutsch Bakahia Madison Elaine Shafer Bernadette Taylor Julie Zaharatos, CDC Maripat Zeschke
	Members Not In Attendance
	Stacie Geller (excused) Robert Gessner Kathryn Lindley Kevin Madsen (excused) Brielle Osting

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Introductions

Robin L. Jones called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and began with introductions.

Motions

1. **Motion to approve August 2018 minutes**
Unanimous Approval
2. **Motion to close for maternal death case reviews and discuss new members.**
1st Jerome Loew, Unanimous Approval
3. **Motion to reopen the meeting to the public following case review.**
Unanimous Approval.
4. **Motion to recommend to the Perinatal Advisory Committee to add Patricia King to the MMRC.**
1st Gary Loy, 2nd Jerome Loew, with unanimous approval.
5. **Motion to adjourn**
1st Jerome Loew, 2nd Abby Koch, Unanimous Approval

Minutes

The minutes from the August 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Agenda Items

Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) Update

- IDPH went over the timeline happening for the rest of the day. This group will meet for their normal meeting. The next meeting taking place will be a vote on recommendations for case year 2015. Afterwards the maternal mortality review committee looking at violent deaths are meeting.
- The MMRC press conference is happening October 18th at the University of Illinois Chicago. There was a press conference on September 20th with Illinois U.S. Representative Mike Quigley.
- Amanda Bennett went over the committee's mission and gave an update to case year 2015.

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- After reviewing the case year 2015 data and discussion with the Centers for Disease control, IDPH wants to discourage the committee from considering a case “Unable to determine” when possible.
- She also encouraged the committee to try to go with what the majority says versus labeling the decision to be “unable to determine”
- IDPH discussed the remaining cases for completing group recommendations from case years 2015.
- Discussed the logistics for the October meeting. Both MMRC groups will meet in October and vote on their final recommendations from 2015.
- The group asked if they could start getting information on whether the mom’s have private or Medicaid insurance.
- Suggested to possibly collaborate with ILPQC and SQC.

MMRC Mission

- Amanda Bennett gave an update on the MMRC mission
 - Covered the evaluation form.
 - Discussed what happens “behind the scenes” at IDPH.
 - Gave an update on the 2015 deaths and where both committees stand.

Closed Session

- Closed to discuss the maternal death case and to review the resume of a potential addition to the committee.

Debrief and Recommendations

Discussion of Recommendations from CY2015

- Discussion on the recommendations that will make the biggest impact.
- Suggested education plans for emergencies departments.
- Discussed home visiting follow-up
- Suggested to include a bucket for “legislation” and a bucket for “quality”
- IDPH asked the group to think about recommendations for hospitals and providers as there are not many current recommendations for those areas.

Patient/Family

1. Engage in state wide public education campaign and discharge education to prenatal and postpartum women. Education programs should focus on awareness of the signs and symptoms of cardiomyopathy and cardiac complications during pregnancy, postpartum cardiomyopathy
2. every high risk woman meets with social worker prior to discharge from hospital

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Facility

1. All clinics and emergency rooms should be required to have a sign/prompt at registration desks that asks “have you had a baby in the last 12 months?”
2. Develop education plans for education to emergency department and EMS staff and all healthcare providers on the care of pregnant women presenting to the ER + identification of peripartum conditions and potential postpartum complications. IDPH should design initiatives for education to be provided with SQC/ILPQC/Stakeholders (2)]

System

1. IDPH should develop a universal health record system that allows for sharing of medical records between hospitals and APC’s
2. safe healthcare for every woman.org - patient safety bundle on reducing postpartum racial disparity; expand Illinois Family Connects statewide
3. Establish a new QI entity to manage outpatient initiatives with PNC and primary care providers; address gaps in outpatient care and services available across the state
4. Payers promote connection with primary care and necessary specialists as opposed to accessing all medical care through the Emergency Department, provide patient navigator or case manager to follow up on postpartum visit
5. Implementation of perinatal and postpartum checklist for patients’ long term care and planning (see healthychoiceshealthyfutures checklist)
6. Increase state funding of case management activities
7. Reinstigate policies for maternal discharge data collection to local health departments for case management and appropriate follow up

Next Steps

- Meeting taking place right after this to vote on the formal case year 2015 recommendations.
- Next meeting is December 13th.
- Alexander to work on setting up meetings for 2019.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn the meeting from Jerome Loew with a second from Abby Koch with unanimous approval.