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Meeting Minutes of:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Severe Maternal Morbidity (SMM)
subcommittee of: Statewide Quality Council (SQC)

April 9th, 2019
 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

IDPH Offices 122 S. Michigan, 7 th Floor Chicago, IL, Room 711	IDPH Offices 535 West Jefferson, 4 th Floor Springfield, IL
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Introductions

Stephen Locher called the meeting to order and went around the room asking attendees to introduce themselves and let us know whether they were a member or a guest. As this was the first meeting, Dr. Locher asked that everyone give a brief background on themselves.

Attendees

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Stephen Locher Roma Allen Karen Collins Stacie Geller Kathleen Harmon Monique Jones Angela Rodriguez Dennie Rogers (Phone) Christina Stelly	Amanda Bennett, IDPH Tanya Dworkin, IDPH Trishna Harris, IDPH Abigail Holicky, IDPH Ashley Horne, IDPH Shannon Lightner, IDPH Miranda Scott, IDPH Alexander Smith, IDPH Daniell Ashford Andrea Cross Patricia Ann Lee King Cecilia Lopez Carol Rosenbusch Myra Sabini Shirley Scott Debbie Schy Kim Vuckovich Danielle Young
	Members Not In Attendance
	Deborah Boyle (excused) Laura Meints (excused)

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Motions

1. **Motion to close the meeting to the public for the case reviews.**
1st Stacie Geller, Unanimous Approval
2. **Motion to reopen the meeting.**
1st Stacie Geller, 2nd Angela Rodriguez, Unanimous Approval
3. **Motion to recommend to SQC to approve Christopher Cambic to be a member of the committee.**
1st Angela Rodriguez, 2nd Roma Allen, Unanimous Approval
4. **Motion to recommend to SQC to approve Barbara Scavone to be a member of the committee.**
1st Stacie Geller, 2nd Roma Allen, Unanimous Approval
5. **Motion to adjourn the meeting.**
1st Roma Allen, 2nd Dennie Rogers, Unanimous Approval

Agenda Items

Welcome and Goals

- Stephen Locher gave an overview of the committee and its importance. Some items discussed:
- He discussed the vision of the committee which is to help prevent severe maternal morbidity and to nip early warning signs in the bud.
- Another goal of the committee is to improve individual hospital review and to standardize the process a bit more to make research easier.
- Stacie Geller gave a brief history and background on the current SMM process.
- They discussed the Maternal Mortality Review Report that was released by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) in October 2018.

Data Presentation

- Amanda Bennett, IDPH's Women's Health epidemiologist and Centers for Disease Control assignee, gave a presentation on some preliminary data.
 - Discussed the SMM definition.
 - The forms design and purpose. It looks at planned versus unplanned ICU/CCU

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admission.

- Overview of the number of cases that will be reviewed by ICU visits and packed red blood units.
- Overview of primary cause of morbidity with the top 3 being: Hemorrhage, pre-eclampsia, and infection/sepsis.
- Discussed the opportunities to alter the outcomes looking at provider, system, and patient against antepartum, intrapartum, and postpartum.

Closed Session

- Ground rules of the committee were discussed as well as to respect other's options on the committee.
- The process of case review was discussed and that a consensus should happen on each case.
- The group was asked to use "unable to determine" as little as possible.
- If the information was not documented, assume it didn't happen.
- Stacie Geller motioned for the meeting to be closed for case review.
- Meetings are closed pursuant to: 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(15) (professional ethics and performance in case review) and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(17) (matters protected under the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005, or the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA))

Membership Discussion

- Four potential new members to the committee were discussed.
 - Angela Rodriguez motioned to recommend to the Statewide Quality Council and Perinatal Advisory Committee to add Christopher Cambic to the committee, seconded by Roma Allen with unanimous approval
 - Stacie Geller motioned to recommend to the Statewide Quality Council and Perinatal Advisory Committee to add Barbara Scavone to the committee, seconded by Roma Allen with unanimous approval
 - David Arnolds – Recommended to submit to the Maternal Mortality Review Committee to replace Barbara Scavone.
 - Alexandra Edwards – Recommended to resubmit in a year or when finished with fellowship program.
- The group is looking for specific membership:
 - Another maternal fetal medicine specialist.
 - Emergency Department representation
 - Critical care intensivist who specializes in obstetric care.
 - Social worker.

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Debrief

- The group made it through 4 cases.
- Question from the network administrators: What the committee wants from the hospital networks moving forward?
 - The committee wants more detailed abstraction.
 - Stronger timelines including last prenatal visit.
 - If a hospital claims to have followed massive transfusion protocol, then ask to see the protocol as well.
- The network administrators expressed obstacles for form and record completion:
 - Even with guidelines in place, some hospitals are better at completing the necessary information than others.
 - A list of necessary chart information would be beneficial.
 - It is time consuming. It would help boost importance if the direction was coming from senior management.
 - The network administrators expressed concerns that some hospitals are better at completing the forms even with guidelines in place.
- The committee suggested to work on and save examples of case abstracts that were well done/complete.
- Can the network administrators choose specific cases that they find interesting? A: Yes.
- For the June meeting, we will use the cases that are already collect.
- For the August meeting, plan to request new cases from the network administrators.
- One last question on whether CRNA's should submit a resume? A: Yes, submit for the committee to review.

Adjournment

Roma Allen motioned for the meeting to adjourn, that was seconded by Dennie Rogers, and was passed with unanimous approval.