

**The Community Care Program Advisory Committee Minutes  
Tuesday, December 3, 2019 10:00 am Annual Meeting  
Dept of Agriculture John R Block Building Auditorium, Springfield, IL**

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**Members Present:** Robert Thieman, IADSA; Laura Altenbaumer, Active Day; Sherry Barter-Hamlin, River to River Residential Co; Mary Callahan, AMAC; Theresa Collins, IACCPHP; Kevin Cosgrave, Guardian Medical Monitoring; Cary Crawford, Chicago Commons; Stephanie Garrigan, Philips Lifeline; Ella Grays, Gareda, LLC; Mary Hemp, Community Care Adult Day Services, Inc; Shana Holmes, Southeastern Illinois Area Agency on Aging, Inc; Brycie Kochuyt, Alternative (for the Older Adult); Marsha Nelson, Shawnee Health Service; Jill Ohnesorge, Bond County Senior Citizens Center, Inc; Marta Pereyra, CLESE; Louie Prado, Home Health Security Services; Robert Spaulding, Healthcare Plus Senior Care; Peter Valessares, Hellenic Foundation; William Wheeler, ICCCU; Kathy Woodworth, Healthcom, Inc/VRI

**Members Present on the Phone:** Lori Hendren, AARP Illinois; LaShun James, Addus Homecare – Chicago Branch; Beth Menz, SEIU Healthcare Illinois Indiana; Dary Mien, Chinese Mutual Aid Association; Amy Nathan, North Shore Senior Center; Sandy Pastore, Mindful Innovations Consulting, LLC; Mikal Sutton, BlueCross/Blue Shield of Illinois; Tammy Tenton, Premier Home Health Care Services, Inc;

**Members not Present at this meeting:** Natasha Belli, DuPage County Senior Services; Robert Childers, Williamson County Programs on Aging; Joanne Glenn, Comprehensive Quality Care Inc Foundation; Richard Juarez, Lawndale Christian Health Center; Lori Pence, Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging; Susan Simmons, Help at Home, Inc/Oxford Healthcare;

**Guests Present:** Elena Florea, European American Association; Kristen Crossman, Community Care Systems, Inc; Mary Killough, Gareda; Linda Hubbartt, ECCOA; Carol Aronson, Shawnee Health; Marsha Johnson, CCSI; Topaz Gunderson-Schweska, Molina Healthcare; Amy Brown, CRIS; Abby Larson, CRIS; Betty DeGroot, CCMH; Jean Jones, CCMH; Liz Vogt, IACCPHP; Courtney Helton, IACCPHP; Angela Taylor, Catholic Charities; Darren Buatti, Critical Signal Technologies/Best Buy

**Guests Present on Phone:** Denise Smith, MCHD; Amy Lucas, Livingston County Health Dept; Jeremy Hostetler; Jean Bohnhoff; Amy Brown, Age Strong; Audrey Smith, Healthcom, Inc; Dennise Garcia, Catholic Charities; Jason Speaks, Leading Age IL; Jaqueline Rodriguez, SEIU Healthcare IL; Susan Real, ECI AAA; Gustavo Saberbein, Help at Home; Becky Edwards, Macon County Health; Tara Russo, ESC DeKalb;

**Illinois Department on Aging Staff:** Lora McCurdy; Selma D'Souza; John Eckert; Barbara McConnell; Mike Berkes; Chuck Miller; Russ Kemple; Jeremy Hostetler; Gloria Simmons; Samantha Brill; Sue DeBoer; Paulette Dove, Theresa McKeon; Sandy Leith; Rhonda Armstead; Sarah Harris

**IDOA on Phone:** Paula Basta, Director; LaRhonda Williams

## Agenda Items

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am by Robert Thieman. Motion to call to order was made by Theresa Collins; motion was seconded by Cary Crawford. Roll call was taken; a quorum was declared.

**Approval of October 15, 2019 Minutes:** With minor corrections a motion to approve the October 15, 2019 minutes as amended was made by Louie Prado and seconded by Ella Grays. The motion to approve carried.

**Public Comments:** None

## Division Managers' Reports:

**NOTE:** All IDoA Division Manager reports were issued in writing to CCPAC members prior to the meeting at the request of members via survey results. The IDoA Division Managers' written reports are attached as an official component of the CCPAC minutes.

### **Observation of 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of founding CCP, Lora McCurdy, Director Paula Basta:**

Lora and Paula welcomed all to the CCPAC Annual Meeting and recognized all the participants and council members for their dedication, commitment, and service to the senior population served within the state of Illinois over the past 40 years since the inception of the Community Care Program.

**S.W.O.T. Analysis Results & Discussions, Barbara McConnell:** Analysis results for the S.W.O.T. exercise performed at the last CCPAC meeting on October 15, 2019 were presented to the CCPAC gathering. Based on the discussions at the S.W.O.T. analysis, the results indicated three primary outcomes upon which the CCPAC will focus its energies over the next year. The primary outcomes include 1) Education of public, providers, and legislators about the services offered to Illinois seniors by our AAAs, CCUs, and CCP vendors; 2) Serving our senior population's needs; and 3) Strengthening and promoting collaboration and unification between sister agencies both within the state of Illinois as well as between other states' agencies on aging.

A vote was taken to determine whether the council felt as though a Mission Statement and Vision Statement were needed to allow for a more substantive direction for the council to take in the future; the vote resulted in a unanimous aye. A workgroup was established to meet to establish the Mission and Vision Statements for the council; the workgroup will begin meeting prior to Christmas, 2019 via conference calls. The workgroup is as follows: Stephanie Garrigan, Louie Prado, Marsha Nelson, Dary Mien, Brycie Kochuyt, Therese Collins, Bob Thieman.

**Rates Report, Sarah Harris, CFO:** Sarah explained the issue with retroactive pay from July 1, 2019 for rate increases. The state is not currently paying retroactive pay. Whether it will happen in the future will be reliant on the Federal Government or State Legislature to make that decision.

A question was raised about the possibility of being included as a receiver for the new tax income resulting from the legalization of recreational marijuana usage in the state of Illinois. Sarah was asked by the membership to investigate that possibility.

**State Plan, John Eckert:** Strategic Priorities were prepared by Director Basta, Deputy Director Lora McCurdy and others to take to the ASA Strategic Roundtable in Chicago. We are expanding on these Strategic Priorities – getting measurable goals and objectives, how they relate to the things the department is doing and how we are working with our partners on these priorities. This will become part of the State Plan which is a requirement of the Federal ACL. There is a mandated portion for Person-Centeredness to be included.

### **Important Dates**

February 29, 2020: Older Adult Services staff will finalize the State Plan development.

Early March 2020: State Plan will be submitted by Older Adult Services to management for review and final changes.

April 1, 2020 the public information documents will be released for public comments to the AAAs, CCUs, IDoA Advisory Councils and other related organizations.

Late April – May 2020: Public hearings conducted on the State Plan.

Mid-June 2020: Public comments will be compiled.

Late June 2020: Final review of public comments.

June 30, 2020: The final plan will be submitted to ACL.

**Data Metrics, Lora McCurdy, Deputy Director:** Each Human Services agency was asked by the Governor to provide dashboard metrics. Some of the information we were already tracking (i.e. Percentage of clients with annual redeterminations by the CCUs). Metrics will be sent to the Governor's office on December 4, 2019. They will provide feedback to us. Once we receive approval from the Governor's office to do so, we will present these metrics at the next CCPAC meeting. The metrics will be actively measured over the next four years. The key metric is determining how we keep our clients in the CCP for as long as possible. The average time is 4 years 1 month. We are looking to extend the timeline to five years. We are tracking the cost savings for keeping people in independent living status as opposed to institutional living. We need to discuss providing more core services to achieve the goal.

**Census Outreach, Selma D'Souza, Chief of Staff:** The Dept of Human Services awarded approximately \$20 million to regional intermediaries for census outreach. The award information may be found online. Since AAAs do not fall under the regional areas that received the funding, IDoA has awarded a total of \$502 k to the AAAs based on the funding formula. This funding was approved by the Federal government. DHS is asking AAAs to work and collaborate with the regional intermediaries so that the information is not duplicated. AAAs

are working to do outreach to our seniors between now and April 1, 2020 due to the fact that much of the census information will be completed digitally.

**2020 CCPAC Meeting schedule, Bob Thieman:** The draft of the 2020 CCPAC meeting schedule was distributed to the council and guests. All were asked to save the dates pending final confirmation of venues for the meetings and distribution of the final schedule by Barb McConnell.

**Nominations and Election for 2020 CCPAC Co-Chair, Lora McCurdy, Deputy Director:** Bob Thieman was thanked by Deputy Director, Lora McCurdy, Director, Paula Basta, and Chief of Staff, Selma D'Souza for his service as Co-Chair to CCPAC for 2019. Nomination of Theresa Collins was taken from the council members as the new Co-Chair for 2020. Motion for a vote from the floor was made by Mary Callahan and seconded by Cary Crawford. The vote was unanimous for Theresa Collins, IACCPHP to serve as the 2020 CCPAC Co-Chair.

**Adjournment, Bob Thieman:** Bob Thieman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Kevin Cosgrave. Ella Grays seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 1:18 pm.

**The next CCPAC meeting will be on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 beginning at 10:00 am in the Department of Agriculture Building Auditorium in Springfield, IL.**