

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services
Institutional Review Board Meeting
Minutes
May 25, 2021

ON PHONE

Janet Ahern
Dr. Margaret Scotellaro
Bret Angelos
Tami Fuller
Kim Mann
Robin LaSota
Robin Albritton
Brooke Taylor

EXCUSED:

Arricka Newingham

CALL TO ORDER

Janet Ahern called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Dr. Margaret Scotellaro made a motion to approve the minutes April 27, 2021.

Kim Mann seconded the motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

FOLLOW UP

Marquinta Thomas. *Improving Access to Early Child Care and Education for Children and Families Involved in the Child Welfare System in Illinois.*

Information was sent to the board via email. All issues were addressed. No other discussion.

MOTION: Robin LaSota motioned to approve the proposal.

Tami Fuller seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

NEW PROPOSALS

Juliana Carlson. *Quality Improvement Center on Domestic Violence in Child Welfare – Case Record Review..*

This proposal has been being done via bits and pieces over the past few years. Each time they are adding a new data collection component. This portion is just for the case review portion. Case files are being reviewed – minimal risk and not interacting with human subjects – just pulling information.

One place said that they were doing a case review of 30 and one said 90 (3 sites of 30 it appears). Project ends in September 2021. No issues with their data security plan.

Last summer, they were approved by the ethics officer that they were getting the staff and clients to complete.

Looking for sustainability beyond before they lose funding. Expanding to a new county, General intention is to sustain this with general revenue funds now that it won't be grant funded anymore. Clinical will be picking it up (it was in immersion sites).

We can securely electronically transfer the files to the researcher.

MOTION: Kim Mann motioned to approve the proposal.

Tami Fuller seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

Brian Chor. *DCFS Immersions Sites Evaluation – Amendment.*

Why are they getting rid of the caregiver/youth surveys? Was it because of low response rates? It doesn't really say. Kim Mann and/or Robin LaSota will talk to Brian about this piece and report back.

MOTION: This proposal is being tabled pending the response to the questions posed.

Brian Chor. *DCFS Therapeutic Residential Performance Managemnt Initiative (TRPMI) – Amendment..*

No discussion.

MOTION: Robin Albritton motioned to approve the proposal.

Tami Fulller seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

Heather Risser. *Home Intervention for Youth in Care with Poorly Controlled Asthma – Amendment.*

Since DCFS nurses have been so busy and unable to give the time to do the intervention, bringing on some medical students to do some work and trained to do the intervention in place of the nurses.

These are youth in care. The consents were for the foster parents to participate. The foster caregiver is providing consent for them to take a survey.

Since they are just doing follow up, the guardian's office does not need to provide consent as the Department is overseeing the processes involved in this research proposal.

MOTION: Tami Fuller motioned to approve the proposal.

Bret Angelos seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

OTHER:

Next meeting re-scheduled for June 22, 2021 at 2 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 2:26 pm.