Advisory Council on Palliative Care

Draft Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 06, 2014

10:00 am in the Legislative Office Building, Room 1D

Hartford, CT

Attendance:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Elizabeth Keyes, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner-DPH	Х		Karen Mulvihill, DNP, APRN, FNP, ACHPN	Х	
Joseph F. Andrews, Jr., MD	Х		Biree Andemariam, MD		Х
Patricia Trotta, RN	X		Wendy Furniss, RNC, M.S.	Х	
Victoria Odesa, APRN	Phone		Cynthia Roy	X	
Diana Cameron, RN, BSN	Х		Barbara Morrison, RN	Х	
Renee C.B. Manworren, Ph.D, APRN		Х	Susan Richter	Phone	
Colleen Mulkerin, MSW		Х	Jim Prota	X	

I. Opening Remarks by Elizabeth Keyes, Department of Public Health

II. Introduction of Members

III. Review of Advisory Role/Discussions

- Review of PA 13-55
- Need more discussion as to the roles of the members- members are to send Elizabeth Keyes their Bios to be distributed amongst members
- Meetings will be held at CHA-every other Tuesday-first two meetings are scheduled for 2/14/14 and 3/14/14 at 9:30 am
- Election of Chairperson will take place at the next meeting (2/14/14)-Those interested are to contact Elizabeth Keyes

IV. Comments/Suggestions

- Define Palliative Care (versus Hospice or End-of-life Care) and educate on the definition
- Find out how palliative care is looked at in different provider settings (veterans/pediatric/geriatric)
- Survey on Survey Monkey
- Registry for advanced directives
- Seek out Best Practice models of palliative care
- Knowledge base of consumers & primary care physicians not always complete

- Address chronic diseases
- Medicare regulations for Home Health may be a barrier
- Perhaps report on MOLST initiative in February
- Healthy Aging is an interest of DPH Commissioner Mullen
- First evaluate current palliative care services in CT. Then can discuss unmet needs, issues, next steps
- Meeting Adjourned at 10:35
- Submitted by Grisel Merced, Administrative Assistant-DPH