Indiana Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

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| Date | Monday, November 20, 2017 | | | | |
| Time | 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. | | | | |
| Location | Indiana State Department of Health, Yoho Board Room, 2 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204 | | | | |
| Recorder | Heather K. Sager | | | | |
| Attendees | Susan Hickman, Chris Brinneman, Tom Ledyard, Stacey Sharp, Gerald Walthall, Terry Whitson, Murray Lawry, Liz Carroll, Bryan Hannon, Amy Haskamp, Evan Reinhardt and Keylee Wright. | | | | |
| Other | Lynn Robbin participated over the phone. | | | | |
| Topics | Discussion | Action or Follow-up | Responsible Person | | |
| Welcome and Introductions | Susan Hickman, PhD, Council Chair, provided welcoming remarks. Meeting participants introduced themselves. | | | | |
| Approve Meeting Minutes | Meeting minutes from the September 29, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved by Council members. Amy Haskamp was welcomed as the newest appointed member. | | | | |
| Meet and Greet with Commissioner Kristina Box | After greeting the group and introducing herself, Commissioner Kristina Box welcomed recommendations and thoughts from the Council. Commissioner Box spoke about opioid over-prescription and narcotics concerns, and the importance of diversion plans. | | | | |
| | The group made several recommendations regarding which additions to the table would potentially bring helpful perspectives. This included those from both the public and private health insurance payer perspective, as well as a professor, John Hall, who teaches end-of-life law. Dr. Hickman raised additional concerns, such as funding problems in relation to pediatric palliative care continuity, aging in place, and advanced care planning, including revisiting the structure of the living will, how its framed, and building in more flexibility. Issues of data and information storage standardization were discussed, including the automation of archival documents in some systems but not in others. Commissioner Box suggested wallet cards as an idea to ensure that patients know their options and rights. Chris Brinneman noted that some systems already have this in use and wider dissemination might be helpful. | | | | |

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| Review: Website documents & | Amy Haskamp raised the concern that many school personnel and staff are not comfortable following Do Not Resuscitate orders with the pediatric population under palliative care. Dr. Hickman noted that diversion is also an issue and can create problems with access. Commissioner Box responded that diversion issues must be discussed much earlier in the palliative care process. Stacey Sharp raised the issue of personnel being unable to follow advance care directives, and stating that there is a need for larger education activities from higher-ups. Due to time constraints the following documents were put off for review for the next meeting: IRCOLAC Webpage content and timeline and the End of the Year Penert. | |
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| End of year report Review: Disposal of | meeting: IPCQLAC Webpage content and timeline and the End of the Year Report. Heather Sager, Cancer Policy and Communications Director gave a PowerPoint presentation, "A review of opioid guidelines and regulations as applied to Palliative | |
| Medication Hospice Discussion | Care". Evan Reinhardt, Executive Director, Indiana Association for Home and Hospice Care and Liz Carroll, Executive Director, Indiana Hospice & Palliative Care Organization held discussion on hospice provision for non-hospice care. | |
| Next Steps | Due to time constraints the council agreed to identify focus-area projects and next steps for establishing work groups at the next meeting. | |
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| Upcoming Meeting | February 26, 2017 10:30 to 12:00 p.m. | |