

**Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Services Implementation Task Force
December 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

Video Conferencing Locations

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Building
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Task Force Members Present: Ann Adlington (SANES), Christy Alexander (SANES), Nancee Brown (Sexual Assault Survivors and Rape Crisis Centers), Dr. Scott Cooper (Physicians), Brenda Danosky (ISP), Dr. Marjorie Fujara (Child Abuse Pediatricians), Marites Gonzaga-Reardon (Nurses), Cynthia Hora (OAG), Heather Keirnan (Hospitals), Sandy Kraiss (Hospitals), Kim Mangiaracino (Children's Advocacy Centers), Debra Perry (Sexual Assault Survivors and Rape Crisis Centers), Dr. Channing Petrak (Child Abuse Pediatricians), Dr. Monika Pitzele (Emergency Physicians), Polly Poskin (Sexual Assault Survivors and Rape Crisis Centers), Jaclyn Rodriguez (OAG), Karen Senger (IDPH)

I. Opening Remarks

Meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Cindy Hora at 1:05pm. Cindy Hora welcomed Task Force members and members of the public. Members of the public were reminded that there would be an opportunity for public comment later in the meeting. Until that time, discussions will be limited to Task Force members pursuant to Rules adopted by the Task Force.

Task Force members were reminded to complete the Open Meeting Acts Training by December 29, 2018 and to send Certificates of Completion to Jessica O'Leary, OAG.

II. Template MOU for Rape Crisis Centers, Hospitals, and Approved Pediatric Health Care Facilities

Members reviewed the Template MOU. There was a brief discussion of what constituted "good and valuable considerations". A typo on page 6 was identified. Jaclyn Rodriguez made a motion to approve the Template MOU with the correction made. Dr. Channing Petrak seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

III. Approval of Minutes from October 1st Meeting

Members reviewed the minutes of the last meeting. Polly Poskin made a motion to approve the minutes. Debbie Perry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote, Christy Alexander abstained from the vote.

IV. Educational Materials

Educational Materials for Hospitals and Approved Pediatric Health Care Facilities – Members reviewed the materials and discussed additional information to include. Polly Poskin made a motion

to approve the materials with the additional information added as discussed. Nancee Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Educational Materials for Health Care Providers – Members reviewed the materials and discussed additional information to include. Debbie Perry made a motion to approve the materials with the additional information added as discussed. Dr. Monika Pitzele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Educational Materials for Rape Crisis Centers – Members reviewed the materials and discussed additional information to include. Nancee Brown made a motion to approve the materials with the additional information added as discussed. Debbie Perry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Educational Materials for Children’s Advocacy Centers – Members reviewed the materials and discussed additional information to include. Jaclyn Rodriguez made a motion to approve the materials with the additional information added as discussed. Kim Mangiaracino seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Educational Materials for State’s Attorney’s Offices – Members reviewed the materials and discussed additional information to include. Christy Alexander made a motion to approve the materials with the additional information added as discussed. Brenda Danosky seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Template Photography Policy including optional Consent Form, Equipment Options and Storage Options – Members reviewed the Template. Dr. Channing Petrak made a motion to approve the Template. Ann Adlington seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

IV. IDPH Update

Co-Chair Karen Senger informed members that Emergency Rules regarding the submission of sexual assault treatment plans, transfer plans, and approved pediatric health care facilities will be published in January, 2019. Administrative Rules regarding the other provisions of Public Act 100-0775 will be published 6 – 9 months later. Until then, facilities should rely on the statute. Submission forms will be available on IDPH’s website beginning January 2, 2019. IDPH is asking that facilities participating in an Areawide Treatment Plan submit their individual plans together in one packet. IDPH will be taking the distance a patient will be required to travel into consideration when deciding whether to approve or deny submitted transfer plans.

V. Distribution on Educational Materials

Co-Chair Cindy Hora discussed plans to distribute the Educational Materials. The Materials will be posted on the OAG Website, emailed to Task Force Members and stakeholders to distribute, and shared with statewide professional organizations for distribution.

VI. Committees

Co-Chair Cindy Hora discussed the creation of two new committees: 1) Areawide Treatment Plans: Rural; Urban; Out-of-State Hospitals and 2) On-Call SANE/SAFE Programs. Task Force Members volunteered for the committees. Initial meetings will be scheduled for January 2019. Members of the public are able to listen in on Committee Meeting calls and a period of time for public comment will be provided. Members discussed identifying specific individuals/members of the public to

provide information to Committee Members. The Photo Documentation Committee will continue to meet regarding the creation of a Competency Checklist.

VI. Public Comment

Compliance Officer, Blessing Hospital Quincy – Inquired about the requirement that there be at least one Treatment Hospital within a 20 mile radius of each four year public university. It was explained that the Treatment Hospital will be required to treat pediatric, adolescent, and adult sexual assault survivors. A qualified medical provider for pediatric survivors is a P/A trained SANE or a Child Abuse Pediatrician. An A/A trained SANE is not qualified to provide medical forensic services to pediatric patients. Concern was expressed regarding fulfilling this requirement Downstate.

Upcoming SANE Trainings were discussed: January A/A Training in Urbana; February P/A Training in Collinsville; March A/A Training in Chicagoland Area.

Serena Valino – Expressed concern regarding the ability of P/A-Trained SANEs to complete the clinical training requirements, particularly completing exams. It was discussed that the Midwest Regional Training CAC offers pediatric clinical trainings and that the Chicago CAC has applied to be program that could offer pediatric clinical training opportunities. Serena also expressed an interest in allowing non-Task Force Members to participate in the upcoming committee meetings.

Kate Lawler, Swedish Covenant Hospital – Inquired about photo documentation storage and retention requirements. The survivor’s medical record should be retained for the length of time that related photo documentation is required to be retained.

Megan Brennan, OSF HealthCare – Expressed concern that adolescent and adult sexual assault survivors who initially present at a Transfer Hospital cannot be transferred to a Treatment Hospital with Approved Pediatric Transfer (APT) even if the Treatment Hospital with APT is closer than the Treatment Hospital. It was discussed that the language in SASETA only allows IDPH to approve a Transfer Plan “that includes a written agreement with a treatment hospital stating that the treatment hospital will provide medical forensic services to all sexual assault survivors transferred from the transfer hospital.” 410 ILCS 70/2(a)

VII. 2019 Meeting Dates

February 15, 2019; April 30, 2019; August 5, 2019; November 21, 2019

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15pm.