



State of Illinois  
Illinois Department on Aging

# Older Adult Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date: August 19, 2013 1-3:30pm**

**Locations:**

Illinois Department on Aging Conference Room, 160 N. LaSalle St., 7<sup>th</sup> floor, Chicago  
Illinois Department of Natural Resources, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield (Rock River Video Conference Room – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Committee Members**

Patricia Ahern – Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care  
Stephanie Altman – Health and Disability Advocates  
Darby Anderson – Addus HealthCare  
Carol Aronson – Shawnee Alliance for Seniors  
Theresa Collins (proxy for John Becker ) – Senior Services Plus  
Jean Bohnhoff – Effingham County Committee on Aging  
Dr. Thomas Cornwell – HomeCare Physicians  
Cindy Cunningham – Illinois Adult Day Service Association  
Frank Daigh – Citizen member over the age of 60  
Robyn Golden – Rush University Medical Center  
Joyce Gusewelle – Eden United Church of Christ, Parish Nurse  
Myrtle Klauer – Illinois Council on Long Term Care  
Jason Speaks – Life Services Network  
Dave Lowitzki – SEIU Healthcare Illinois and Indiana  
Phyllis Mitzen – Center for Long Term Care Reform  
Melissa O’Brien – Senior Services Center of Will County  
Patricia O’Dea-Evans – A Silver Connection  
David Vinkler – AARP Illinois Legislative Office  
Cathy Weightman-Moore – Long Term Care Ombudsman  
Ancy Zacharia – HomeCare Physicians

**Committee Members not in attendance:**

Frederick Berstein – Community Health & Emergency Services, Inc.  
Pat Comstock – Health Care Council of Illinois  
Jan Grimes – Illinois HomeCare and Hospice Council  
Terri Harkin – SEIU Health Care – IL and Indiana  
Dr. Susan Hughes – Community Health Sciences School of Public Health  
Beverly Kimmons – Alzheimer’s Association  
Michael Koronkowski – UIC College of Pharmacy  
Jon Lavin – Age Options  
Susan Real – East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging

**Ex-officio – non-voting Committee Members in attendance:**

Doree Vetter – Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Lora McCurdy – Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services  
 Mari Money – Illinois Finance Authority  
 Michael Gelder – Illinois Governor’s office  
 Ben Noven – Illinois Housing Development Authority  
 Sally Petrone – Illinois Department on Aging - Ombudsman

**Ex-officio – nonvoting Committee Members not in attendance:**

John K. Holton, Director – Illinois Department on Aging  
 Bill Bell – Illinois Department of Public Health  
 Rob Kilbury – Illinois Department of Human Services  
 Bill Dart – Illinois Department of Public Health

**Illinois Department on Aging staff:**

Sandra Alexander  
 Elton Arrindell  
 Sonja Bhagwakar  
 Jan Cichowlas  
 Scott Norton  
 Nyle Robinson  
 Lenore Roth  
 Carole Schwartz  
 Mikal Sutton  
 Lisa Zuurbier

**Presenters/Guests:**

Peter Eckart – Illinois Public Health Institute  
 Nicole Gillespie – Illinois Public Health Institute  
 Ellen Kaufman – Illinois Public Health Institute  
 Kitty Watson – IL Treasurers Office  
 Mike Moss – GOMB  
 Alicia Avery – Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

**Welcome and Introduction**, Sandra Alexander welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Approve minutes**

Pat O’Dea-Evans moved to approve the minutes from the May 20, 2013 meeting. Dave Lowitski second. Minutes approved.

**Executive Committee Report** – Darby Anderson gave a brief update on the last Executive meeting.

**Framework Presentation** – Illinois Public Health Institute (Peter Eckart, Nicole Gillespie & Ellen Kaufman) gave a presentation on the Framework project. In compliance with the federal Affordable Care Act, in 2013 Illinois plans to Expand Medicaid eligibility which will cover approximately 350,000 more people in Illinois and create a state/federal partnership health insurance exchange (known as the Health Insurance Marketplace). To improve healthcare and human services system in Illinois, the Framework team is comprised of planning, governance and stakeholder engagement projects. The goal is to develop a sustainable foundation of interoperable systems and information sharing to enable seven

Illinois State agencies to provide greater coordination across client services as well as provide community based organizations with tools to better understand and support their clients.

**Universal Assessment Tool (UAT) Update – Mike Moss, Governor’s Office Management and Budget** - Mike Moss gave a brief update on the UAT. State is looking at it to ensure everyone has access to services as well as making sure there are no duplicate services. UAT is one of the structural components required under BIP. BIP stakeholder meetings will be held in September. UAT will also be integrated with Framework to ensure that the person gets all the services they need.

**Lisa Zuurbier** also gave a brief update on SHIP and the simultaneous rollout of Medicare open enrollment with the ACA health insurance exchange. IDoA is coordinating with CMS, sending out information on trainings, and ensuring that clients get the information they need.

**Michael Gelder, Governor’s Office** – Michael gave an update on the Payor/Provider Alliance committee concerning the Affordable Care Act compliance - make sure the delivery system is up to date. The Committee has been discussing initiatives that will improve health, and ensure that people living the community can receive the services they needs. It is expected that costs can be reduced while still helping people by supporting payment reforms to encourage providers to deliver high quality care and not just volume; integration of services for people with special needs (e.g., mental health, older adults, persons with disabilities, HIV, etc...); and promoting healthy lifestyles, fall prevention, evidence based diseases. The Alliance is also focused on workforce innovations to provide for specialty care physicians, and expanding the scope of practice for nursing professionals.

### **Announcements**

The Department on Aging acknowledged the passing of our friend and long time OASAC member, Eli Pick. Director Holton sent a certificate of appreciation for Eli’s contributions to his family.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm