



State of Illinois
Illinois Department on Aging

Older Adult Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: November 18, 2013 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Locations:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

Patricia Ahern – Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care
Dr. Thomas Cornwell – HomeCare Physicians
Cindy Cunningham – Illinois Adult Day Service Association
Jan Grimes – Illinois HomeCare and Hospice Council
Joyce Gusewelle – Eden United Church of Christ, Parish Nurse
Myrtle Klauer – Illinois Council on Long Term Care
Jon Lavin – Age Options
Dave Lowitzki – SEIU Healthcare Illinois and Indiana
Phyllis Mitzen – Center for Long Term Care Reform
Patricia O’Dea-Evans – A Silver Connection
Susan Real – East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging
David Vinkler – AARP Illinois Legislative Office
Cathy Weightman-Moore – Long Term Care Ombudsman
Ancy Zacharia – HomeCare Physicians

Committee Members not in attendance:

Stephanie Altman – Health and Disability Advocates
Darby Anderson – Addus HealthCare
Carol Aronson – Shawnee Alliance for Seniors
John Becker – Senior Services Plus
Frederick Berstein – Community Health & Emergency Services, Inc.
Jean Bohnhoff – Effingham County Committee on Aging
Pat Comstock – Health Care Council of Illinois
Frank Daigh – Citizen member over the age of 60
Robyn Golden – Rush University Medical Center
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
Melissa O’Brien – Senior Services Center of Will County
Jason Speaks – Life Services Network

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

John K. Holton, Director – Illinois Department on Aging
Kelly Cunningham (Theresa Eagleson) – Illinois Department Healthcare and Family Services
Bill Dart – Illinois Department of Public Health
Ben Noven – Illinois Housing Development Authority
Sally Petrone – Illinois Department on Aging - Ombudsman
Doree Vetter – Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs

Ex-officio – nonvoting Committee Members not in attendance:

Michael Gelder – Illinois Governor’s office
Rob Kilbury – Illinois Department of Human Services
Mari Money – Illinois Finance Authority
Ben Noven – Illinois Housing Development Authority

Illinois Department on Aging staff:

Sonja Bhagwakar
Lenore Roth
Timothy Hameetman, Intern

Presenters/Guests:

Dr. Randall Owen – UIC
Dr. Tamar Heller – UIC
Tameshia Bridges – Mansfield – Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute
Kitty Watson – Illinois Treasurers Office
Sharon Post – SEIU – HCII

Welcome and Introduction, Director Holton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approve minutes

Pat O’Dea-Evans moved to approve the minutes from the August 19, 2013 meeting. Myrtle Klaur second. Minutes approved.

Executive Committee Report – Susan Real gave a brief update on the last Executive meeting.

Discussion of Priority Areas:

Illinois Housing Authority - Ben Noven state that the IL Housing Development Authority received the information from HUD it had been waiting for and is reviewing it with the attorneys. The Governor’s office has hired a Housing Coordinator who will begin January 1, 2014.

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services – Kelly Cunningham stated that HFS has spent a lot of time working on the BIP and has received \$7 million dollars in enhanced federal Medicaid match and has begun using it for community based services, conflict free case management (no wrong door) and core assessment process. HFS website has information posted in great detail including the rollouts on the ICP1, ICP2, MMAI, which also includes maps and flowcharts.

MFP – Approximately 800 individuals have been transitioned. HFS is working on implementing the 3 Olmstead initiatives, working on implementing new Resource Utilization Group (RUG) system, which will go into effect January 1, 2014.

Illinois Department of Public Health – Bill Dart has been working very closely with the UIC evaluation team on the Integrated Care Program and will have a report ready at the next meeting.

Illinois Department on Aging – Director Holton emphasized the Governor’s Conference in December 2013 hoping everyone from OASAC can attend. This year there will be a delegation from China and Nigeria. They will be attending to see how our agency works so they can better serve their older adult population. We are very excited to have them here. The Executive Summary for the OASAC 2014 Report to the General Assembly was sent out to all OASAC members for updates and/or additions. Please get back to Sandra as soon as possible as the report will go into production immediately. Sally Petrone, Long Term Care Ombudsman, IDoA expects that the LTCOP will receive a grant from CMS (\$1 million over 3 years) to create homecare and managed care Ombudsman program for community dwelling persons of all ages. Stakeholder focus groups will take place from Dec 5 to Jan 15.

Quality Measures for Managed Care – Phyllis Mitzen announced that the OASAC Stakeholder Engagement work group met this month to look at Quality Measures and how these are going to be integrated into what managed care is doing.

MLTSS Quality Assurance Presentation and Discussion – UIC

Dr. Randall Owen and Dr. Tamar Heller reviewed the PowerPoint presentation: Dr. Owen explained that a third party evaluation of Managed Care has been contracted. He explained that when states move to managed care systems the states are required to have an external evaluator. They have completed a lot of focus groups to gather data. They have looked at how the transition is going and how can the system be improved. Dr. Owen explained that they use 11 questions with the focus groups. For this presentation only five of the questions were presented. They are concerned with ALL accessibility issues.

Director Holton noted that UIC is collecting data based on about 98 questions and asked Dr. Owen about what he could do if OASAC were to give them goals and how is managed care meeting those goals? Could we work with them to get data? Dr. Owen indicated that if the evaluation team had time they would be happy to, that they are also trying to get data from other agencies as well to analyze. Phyllis Mitzen stated when OASAC revisits these goals in January 2014, the committee should contact Dr. Owen concerning this project.

Jan Grimes made a motion that IDoA explore the feasibility of a contract with UIC for the purpose of data mining to align the ICP evaluation with the OASAC goals. Susan Real second. Legal counsel advised OASAC that the State has delegated oversight of the contract to IDPH to create a degree of impartiality as UIC evaluates the managed care initiative. The motion passed.

1115 Waiver – Phyllis Mitzen reported that this is an initiative on the part of the Governor’s Office to consolidate the nine waivers in Illinois. The state is working under a tight timeframe and HMPRG has been contracted to conduct stakeholder engagement meetings and coordinate a comment period. Feedback on the concept paper is invited by 11/25/13. Next stakeholder meeting is December 19. HMA is expected to file a waiver application by Feb 15, 2014. Phyllis encouraged everyone to look at the concept paper and make comments.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.