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Meeting Minutes of:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Levels of Care: Designation, Redesignation, and Change of Network (LOC)

November 16th, 2017
 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

George W. Dunne Building 69 W. Washington, 35th Floor Chicago, IL	IDPH Offices 535 West Jefferson, 5th Floor Springfield, IL
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Attendees

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Jenny Brandenburg (Phone) Lori Filock Harold Bigger Joan Cappelletti (Phone) Linnette Carter (Phone) Paula Melone (Phone) Debbie Schy (Phone)	Tanya Dworkin, IDPH Trishna Harris, IDPH Shannon Lightner, IDPH Andrea Palmer, IDPH Alexander Smith, IDPH Natasha Goodrich Lance Kovacs Cindy Mitchell Carol Rosenbusch Myra Sabini Shirley Scott
	Members Not In Attendance Adriena Beatty

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Motions

1. **Motion to approve the minutes from September 2017.**
 - 1st Harold Bigger, 2nd Joan Cappelletti, Unanimous yes.
2. **Motion to adjourn.**
 - 1st Harold Bigger, 2nd Jenny Brandenburg, Unanimous yes.

Introductions and Welcome

- Lori Filock called the meeting to order and went around the room and on the phone doing introductions.

Minutes

- The minutes from September 2017 were reviewed and approved with a unanimous yes.

Agenda Items

1. IDPH Update

- The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) staff spoke about the quality group and the implementation group for the new LOC meetings.
- IDPH is also trying to do another cross team meeting. Keep an eye out for that meeting and get together.

2. Old Business

Denial of Designation Process

- Proposed timeline of a loss of resources: Facility has 120 days from the deficiency to correct it and the facility will need to notify IDPH immediately including the date that the service is no longer available. IDPH to respond within 30 days (optional)
 - Failure to comply or notify? Suggested that IDPH to decide what to do.
 - **Public Comment:** Asked for a clarification of the proposed timeline.
- Discussion on what level or status you should be at while in limbo
 - Hospitals know the level requirements
 - It takes a while to recruit certain services
 - Don't want anything to be punitive or punish hospitals for losing a resource due to unforeseen circumstances.

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- **Public Comment:** Wants to recommend to the LOC groups that they will have to look into proper nurse staffing.
- Can IDPH come up with the punitive actions? or does it need to be filled out in the rules?
 - Consistency would be hard to maintain.
 - It would be hard to come up with scenarios to make punitive
 - Could it warrant a site visit?
 - **Public Comment:** should it go to the facilities committee?
- Discussed exception laws
- **Public Comment:** Suggested to have a temporary coverage action plan in their report to IDPH?
- **Public Comment:** is there a questionnaire that can be asked of the facility?
- **Committee Recommendation:** Notify IDPH within the next business day of any loss of any of the required resources as listed in the code, action plan of care of patients in the interim is included within the notification, then once the hospital notifies they have 120 from the date of deficiency, after 120 days they are required to provide IDPH with an update as to whether or not they have fixed it or not.
- Suggestions on if they have not met the 120 day window:
 - Suggest that it will go to facilities and then there will be a recommendation to the department.
 - Suggested that if the facility had not met the 120 day mark they could be dropped in designation barring an exemption with IDPH.

3. Next Steps

- Next meeting is scheduled for December.
- Network Change group will report out at the next meeting
- Discussed looking into longer meeting times and will discuss at next meeting.

4. Public Comment

- Public Comment was throughout the meeting.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: 1st Harold Bigger, 2nd Jenny Brandenburg, Unanimous yes.