

Advisory Council on Palliative Care

Draft Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 06, 2014

10:00 am in the Legislative Office Building, Room 1D

Hartford, CT

Attendance:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Elizabeth Keyes, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner-DPH	X		Karen Mulvihill, DNP, APRN, FNP, ACHPN	X	
Joseph F. Andrews, Jr., MD	X		Biree Andemariam, MD		X
Patricia Trotta, RN	X		Wendy Furniss, RNC, M.S.	X	
Victoria Odesa, APRN	Phone		Cynthia Roy	X	
Diana Cameron, RN, BSN	X		Barbara Morrison, RN	X	
Renee C.B. Manworren, Ph.D, APRN		X	Susan Richter	Phone	
Colleen Mulkerin, MSW		X			

I. Opening Remarks by Elizabeth Keyes, Department of Public Health

II. Introduction of Members

III. Review of Advisory Role/Discussions

- Review of PA 13-55
- Need more discussion as to the roles of the members- members are to send Elizabeth Keyes their Bios to be distributed amongst members
- Meetings will be held at CHA-every other Tuesday-first two meetings are scheduled for 2/14/14 and 3/14/14 at 9:30 am
- Election of Chairperson will take place at the next meeting (2/14/14)- Those interested are to contact Elizabeth Keyes

IV. Comments/Suggestions

- Define Palliative Care (versus Hospice or End-of-life Care) and educate on the definition
- Find out how palliative care is looked at in different provider settings (veterans/pediatric/geriatric)
- Survey on Survey Monkey
- Registry for advanced directives
- Seek out Best Practice models of palliative care

- Knowledge base of consumers & primary care physicians not always complete
- Address chronic diseases
- Medicare regulations for Home Health may be a barrier
- Perhaps report on MOLST initiative in February
- Healthy Aging is an interest of DPH Commissioner Mullen
- First evaluate current palliative care services in CT. Then can discuss unmet needs, issues, next steps

- Meeting Adjourned at 10:35
- Submitted by Grisel Merced, Administrative Assistant-DPH