M I N U T E S
Quality of Care Advisory Committee

Location
Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Commissioner’s Conf. Room
Hartford, CT  06106

April 13, 2016

The semiannual meeting of the Quality of Care Advisory Committee was called to order by Raul Pino, Commissioner of the Department of Public Health, at 9:34 AM.

Members/Guests present:  Debra Abromaitis, John Brady, Anne Elwell, Mary Florio, Wendy Furniss, David Guttchen, Jennifer Herz, Jon Olson, Carl Schiessl, and Robert Zavoski

Members on conference call:  Carole Bergeron, Jean Rexford, and Pepper Sobieski

Opening Remarks:  Commissioner Raul Pino introduced himself and asked each person to introduce themselves.

Approval of Minutes:  A motion was made by John Brady to approve the October 14, 2015 Advisory Committee Minutes.  Deb Abromaitis seconded the motion.  The Committee voted to approve the minutes with no one abstaining from voting.

Updates:
Statutory Requirements Grid:
Wendy Furniss provided the group with a quick update on changes made to the Statutory Requirements Grid.  The grid notes all of the statutory requirements for the Committee and notes where other committees/councils/workgroups are performing the same or similar work.  Group members discussed, at length, the purpose of the Committee, considered recommendations for future work that might be performed by the Committee and discussed changes to the statute.  Group members voted unanimously to change the statute to reflect that the Committee “may meet” rather than requiring the Committee to meet twice a year.

Sub-Committee Work Group Status Reports:

“Know Where to Go” document:
Wendy Furniss and Carl Schiessl reported that the “Know Where to Go” document has been completed and uploaded to the DPH website.  Additionally, the document was shared with Infoline who has posted it to their website and will use it as a guide to respond to phone inquiries they receive.  Group members discussed the usefulness of the document and the need for patient education.

Other Business
•  Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 AM

Next Meeting:
October 12, 2016 @ 9:30 AM - DPH Commissioner’s Conference Room, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT