

Primary Care and Community Health Reforms Work Group

Meeting Minutes

November 24, 2020

Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Location
November 24, 2020	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Webinar and Conference Call

Participant Name and Attendance

Primary Care and Community Health Reforms Work Group Members					
Lesley Bennett	X	Shirley Girouard	X	Noami Nomizu	X
Rowena Bergmans	X	Karen Hlavac	X	Martha Page	X
Rick Brush	X	Jeff Hogan	X	Lori Pennito	X
Stephanie Caiazzo	X	Anne Klee	X	Deb Polun	X
Seth Clohosey	X	David Krol	X	Lyn Salsgiver	X
Grace Damio	X	Rita Kuwahara	X	Marie Smith	X
Angie DeMello	X	Ken Lalime	X	Elsa Stone	X
Leigh Dubnicka	X	Alta Lash	X	Randy Trowbridge	X
Mario Garcia	X	Kate McEvoy	X	Lisa Trumble	X
Heather Gates	X	Leslie Miller	X		

Others Present

Tyler Anderson	Craig Jones	Karen Siegel
Ellen Andrews	Brent Miller	Adrian Texidor
Olga Armah	Hanna Nagy	Roy Wang
Craig Hostetler	Cara Passaro	

Members Absent

April Greene	Penny Hugh	Rachel Southard
Lisa Honigfeld	Andy Selinger	

Meeting information is located at: <https://portal.ct.gov/OHS/Pages/Primary-Care-Work-Group/Meeting-Agendas>

	Agenda	Responsible Person(s)
1.	Call to order and Introductions	Brent Miller
	The regularly scheduled meeting of the Primary Care and Community Health Reforms Work Group (PCCHRG) was held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 via Zoom. Brent Miller called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. PCRRWG member attendance was taken by roll call. Brent Miller introduced himself and stated that he would be filling in for Victoria Veltri at today's meeting.	
2.	Public Comment	Brent Miller
	There was no public comment.	
3.	Approval of October 27th Meeting Minutes	Brent Miller
	The motion was made by Rick Brush and seconded by Martha Page to approve the October 27 th Primary Care and Community Health Reform Work Group meeting minutes. Abstained: Paul Dworkin and Shirley Girouard. The motion passed.	

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4.	Vote on Adoption of Revised Charter and Bylaws	Brent Miller
	<p>The motion was made by Elsa Stone and seconded by Rowena Bergmans to adopt the revised Primary Care and Community Health Reform Work Group Charter and Bylaws. Discussion: Ms. Girouard asked for the revised charter and bylaws because she did not receive the meeting materials. There was no further discussion. The vote was taken by roll call. Abstained: Shirley Girouard. The motion passed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Miller noted that the bylaws contain the Conflict-of-Interest form. Members are requested to review, complete, and send a copy of the signed Conflict of Interest form to either Jeannina at jeannina.thompson@ct.gov or Brent at brent.miller@ct.gov. 	
5.	Appointment of Chair & Solicit Nominations for Vice Chair	Brent Miller / Leslie Bennett
	<p>Mr. Miller announced that Victoria Veltri has appointed Leslie Bennett as chair of the PCCHR. At this point, Leslie Bennett chaired the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leslie Bennett introduced herself to the workgroup and spoke about her background and experience. Ms. Bennett provided her email address and phone number and said members may contact her with any questions or input on issues regarding this workgroup. Ms. Bennett opened the floor for nominations for the vice chair. There was a nomination for Elsa Stone. There was a suggestion for Marie Smith, but Ms. Smith declined. Dr. Stone accepted the nomination. The motion was made by Leslie Miller and seconded by Karen Hlavac for Elsa Stone to serve as the vice chair of PCCHR. Discussion: There was a question about whether there could be a statement about the vice chair's role and interest. Mr. Miller said based on the charter and bylaws there is not piece regarding a formal statement from the vice chair. There was a suggestion for Elsa Stone to speak briefly to the work group. The vote was taken by roll call. The motion passed. Dr. Stone introduced herself to the workgroup and spoke briefly about her background and experience. She has a passion for wanting to see the best for patients and is hoping to serve well. 	
6.	PCRRWG Subgroups Process	Craig Hostetler
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Craig Hostetler reviewed the PCRRWG subgroups process. Topics and subgroups for consideration are Population Health and Health Equity and Practice Transformation. Mr. Hostetler said members may send an email or enter in the chat feature which subgroup they are interested in participating in. Members discussed the proposed subgroups. There was a question about which subgroup would focus on community health workers (CHWs) and whether it could be integrated into both subgroups. The workgroup talked about how the subgroups are intertwined. There was a suggestion to figure out a different grouping of the proposed topics. It was mentioned that the topics look like some of the work that was done over the last three years. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern was expressed that the division may isolate healthcare transformation in a way that will limit its ultimate capacity and success. Suggestions were made that it would be better to have a blending of the concepts between population health, community health, and practice transformation rather than separating them. There was also a suggestion to keep the subgroups but create an AD Hoc structure for a discussion of issues that are relevant for the time. The Ad Hoc structure could discuss, resolve the issue, and bring it back to the larger workgroup. Mr. Hostetler said they will take the comments, convene with OHS and the co-chairs, think them through, and email the group on how they plan to address them. He thanked everyone for their comments. Additional comments regarding the subgroups and topics for consideration may be submitted by email. 	
7.	Moving to Value Alliance Model Presentation	Jeff Hogan
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeff Hogan of Rogers Benefit Group presented the Moving to Value Alliance Model. Members talked about some of the innovations that are currently happening in the marketplace and various health systems. It was mentioned that it is helpful to have an inventory of all the different tools. There was a suggestion to think about what are principles that they would want from various organizations that are participating in healthcare to achieve the outcome goals being reached for. 	
8.	Medicaid PCMH and PCMH+ Models Presentation	Kate McEvoy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kate McEvoy of Department of Social Services (DSS) presented on the Medicaid Person Centered Medical Home (PCMH) and PCMH+ Models. There was a question about whether health outcome measures are being tracked for the Medicaid population in PCMH and PCMH+ such as obesity, healthy weight, and child well-being. It was noted that an analysis was done that was outcome focused particularly for people with diabetes. They are a proxy for specific outcome measures. There is also a lot of important work being done to specific areas with observations around access and utilization. Members continued to discuss the PCMH models. 	
9.	Primary Care Modernization (PCM) Care Delivery Principles	Elsa Stone
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elsa Stone presented on the primary care modernization care delivery principles. 	
10.	Facilitated Discussion - Exploring PCM Integration and Other Concepts for Roadmap Development	Craig Jones
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Craig Jones briefly presented on Exploring PCM Integration and other Concepts for the Roadmap Development. There was a brief discussion about the need for funding to help enable transformations. 	
11.	Meeting Adjournment	Leslie Bennett
	<p>The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by David Krol and seconded by Leslie Miller. The motion passed.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.</p>	