

The Connecticut General Assembly

Domestic Violence Offender Program Standards Advisory Council

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c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500
Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT 06106

MEETING MINUTES

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Wednesday, April 6, 2016

10:00 A.M. at the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Attendance: Co-Chairman Joe DiTunno, Co-Chairwoman Karen Jarmoc, Linda Cimino, Karen Diebolt, Merit Lajoie, Chief Marc Montminy, Linda Madigan for Mary Painter, John Went, and Theresa Dalton.

Minutes: The minutes of the February 22, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Karen Jarmoc made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Joe DiTunno and unanimously approved.

Introduction: Meeting commenced at 10:02 a.m.

Implementation of Program Standards:

- The group reviewed a prepared document from Chief Montminy which was drafted for consideration as the Domestic Violence Professional Clinician Application. Such application would be housed on an identified web-based site.
- The group offered recommended changes in regard to training, accountability, supervision and notarization.
- It was decided that there will be an established web-based site to house the state's new standards, a list of providers who meet standards, the Domestic Violence Professional Clinician Application, the statute which requires such standards, training and contact information for questions. Offered locations include; the Judicial Branch, Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Department of Administrative Services and Dave Mandell and Associates. Council members will explore these options and offer a recommendation to the full group at the next meeting. The timeline to have the site operational would be early May 2016. The advisory council will also determine a mail-in location for completed applications.
- The Advisory Council agreed to meet monthly in 2016 to review Domestic Violence Professional Clinician Applications to ensure that the list of approved providers is robust and timely. Subsequent to that, the group will meet quarterly.
- Linda Cimino will draft a correspondence to be sent to providers to inform them of the new law, standards, and the website for information and application.
- Joe DiTunno and Karen Jarmoc have a scheduled call with council member Steve Lanza to discuss outreach activities and will report to the full council at its next meeting.

Next Steps:

- Chairs to explore the website host and offer recommendations to the council.
- Chairs to discuss outreach activities and offer recommendations to the council.

Next Meeting & Adjournment: No further business on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 am. The task force will meet April 22nd at 9 a.m. at the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence.