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Women's Health Committee

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Co-Chairs: Sen. Gerratana & Amy Gagliardi

MEETING SUMMARY

Monday, September 14, 2015

Attendance is on Record with the Council.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 9:37 AM by the Chair, Sen. Gerratana.

Introductions were made by those in attendance.

- II. Dr. Zavoski announced that the payments for the first P4P have been sent out.

Bernadette from CHNCT went through the Obstetric Pay for Performance Summary (See Attachment).

https://www.cga.ct.gov/med/committees/med5/2015/0914/20150914ATTACH_OBP4P_September%20_15_2015_Summary.pdf

Amy Gagliardi thanked Bernadette for the presentation and asked about the risk factors on p.5. Bernadette said that it was listed as a yes or no. Sen. Gerratana talked about a conference on Women's Health she recently attended. Dr. Zavoski added that Connecticut has the only Medicaid program that is doing paid for performance. Bernadette explained the points of the measures and that post-partum numbers will come at the conclusion of the program. She provided the results of the first P4P program. Dr. Zavoski added that the number of women receiving post-partum has increased.

- III. Karen Foley-Schain of the Office of Early Childhood (OEC) gave an update on Healthy Start Program. The program was initially administered by DSS. The Children's Trust Fund was transferred to OEC, but Healthy Start was not, leaving it in "limbo". DSS recently signed an MOA after funding was restored. The funds have

been transferred and the contractors have been notified and are working on their budgets. Karen went over the benefits of the program and its targeted recipients. Sen. Gerratana stated that it sounds like good news and that she is happy to see that the program is going to start to move forward.

- IV. Sen. Gerratana asked to take time to “brainstorm” what the committee should be looking into. She asked OEC for a “point of time” report, describing what they are doing with their programs and what they have done since creation.

Dr. Zavoski discussed the conversion from ICD 9 to ICD 10. Amy added that her office was in the process of multiple trainings and that she is looking forward to the change and the benefits of being more specific in diagnosis. Sen. Gerratana commented on the meaningfulness of the data that will be acquired in an updated way.

Amy stated that she had a couple of email requests for possibilities of presentations.

Donna Maselli from DPH discussed the ongoing work her and others were doing regarding women’s pregnancy during incarceration. Sen. Gerratana requested more information on the topic.

Sen. Gerratana stated that she would talk with Amy about the future of the subcommittee and areas to explore. Eventually the Women’s Health Committee should report to the entire MAPOC Council.

The next meeting will be on November 9, 2015 at 9:30 AM in Room 1A.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Richard Eighme
Council Clerk