

State of Delaware Child Protection Accountability Commission Child Abuse Medical Response Committee

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2016 -- 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

In Attendance:

Dr. Allan DeJong, Nemours-AIDHC (Co-Chair)	Randy Williams, CAC (Co-Chair)
Col. Nathaniel McQueen, DSP	Jennifer Donahue, Esq.
Tania Culley, Esq., OCA	The Hon. Joelle Hitch, Family Court
Chief Laura Giles, Police Chiefs Counsel	

Not Present:

Josette Manning, Esq., DAG	Mike Cochran, Esq., CPAC
Nemours-AIDHC Vacancy	Lt. Col. Matthew Jamison, NCCPD

MINUTES:

Randy Williams, Co-Chair, welcomed everyone and attendees introduced themselves. A motion was made by Chief Giles to approve the minutes. Judge Hitch seconded. Dr. DeJong and Jen Donahue abstained. Everyone else voted to approve.

The Committee agreed that a DSCYF representative needs to be a part of the committee and Randy Williams agreed to reach out to Secretary Carla Benson-Green.

The Committee first discussed the hiring of a second Child Abuse Pediatrician. Nemours AIDHC has hired Dr. Stephanie Deutch, who is completing her fellowship in Child Abuse Pediatrics at CHOP. She should begin with Nemours AIDHC in August. Dr. DeJong will train and mentor her.

The Committee next discussed the leaders and structure for a statewide medical response. The VOCA grant RFP was released on January 21, 2016. The Committee agreed to have Dr. DeJong and Randy to promptly meet with Nemours AIDHC leadership to secure commitment and the hospital's vision on the medical structure to assist children statewide in healing from trauma. The Committee is hopeful that Nemours AIDHC will apply for the VOCA grant which can then be supported by the MDT leaders and CPAC. A medical director, forensic nurses for each county and support staff should be considered in the grant application. The Committee also agreed that if the grant is obtained, a statewide network of medical providers need to be developed. This network must include the SANE nurse network and standardized credentials for same. Randy Williams agreed to start a dialogue with the SANE network.

The Committee then reviewed the draft Guidelines for Child Abuse Medical Response protocol and made edits to same. A motion was made by Tania Culley to present the draft response guidelines with revisions to CPAC so that the draft can be included in the VOCA grant application. Judge Hitch seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

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UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

- March 4, 2016
- April 15, 2016

Meeting times of 10-12 Noon. Meeting locations to be determined.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

There being no public comment, the meeting was adjourned at Noon.