Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services Health Equity and Quality Care Subcommittee Meeting Minutes February 25, 2022

Members Present:

Chair (*) & Co-Chair (**)

Amber Kirchhoff, Illinois Primary Healthcare Association

Andrea McGlynn, Cook County Health Plan

Ann Lundy, Access Community Health Network (MAC Member)

Craig Chico, Back of the Yards Neighborhood Counsel

**Derek Robinson, Co-Chair (MAC Member)

*Howard Peters, Chair (MAC Member)

Jennifer Cartland, Lurie Children's Hospital

Karen Aguilar, Chicago Hearing Society

Lauren Messmore, University of Illinois at Chicago

Ned Budd, Thorek Hospital

Lisa Green, Family Christian Health Center

Barrett Hatches, Chicago Family Health Center

Melissa Simon, Northwest University Fineberg School of Medicine

Larry McCully, Touchette Regional Hospital

Members Absent

Karin Norington-Reaves Maryam Hormonzy

HFS Staff Present

Arvind K. Goyal
Kelly Cunningham
Danny Mendez
Dawn Wells
Jean Davis
Dan Jenkins
Ben Winick

Jose Jimenez
Theresa Eagleson
Kim McCullough
Kyle Daniels
Melishia Bansa
Shanan Casey

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- **I. Call to order**: Howard Peters called the meeting to order.
- II. Housekeeping: Melishia Bansa went over housekeeping information.
- III. Roll Call of Committee Members: Melishia Bansa took a roll call of committee members.
- IV. Introduction of HFS Staff: The HFS Staff was introduced.
- V. Review and Approval of the previous MAC Meeting Minutes: The minutes for January 20th were approved.
- VI. Community-Safety Net Hospital(s) Designation:
 - a. Subject Matter Presentations and Comments Chairman Peters reviewed common themes given to the subcommittee. Jim Parker reviewed comments heard from outside the subcommittee. Ann Kauth gave a presentation. Dan Jenkins gave a presentation. Shanan Casey gave a presentation. Director Eagleson gave a presentation on the perspective of HFS.
 - b. Discussion It was suggested that HFS specify community representation.
- **VII. Public Comments:** The MCOs will play an important part in this initiative. The time is now to implement our fresh new ideas. Please submit any comments by March 3rd.
- VIII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:51pm.
- IX. Next meeting: March 8th, 2022 at 11:00am.