

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL**

DATE: 14 November 2006 TIME: 1:30 PM

LOCATION: Health Policy Forum

ATTENDANCE:

Council: Present: Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Vice Chair), Edward F. Almon, Raymond C. Coia, Esq., John W. Flynn, Maria R. Gil, Catherine E. Graziano, R.N, PhD, Amy Lapierre, Robert J. Quigley, DC, (Chair), Robert Ricci, Larry Ross, Reverend David Shire (Secretary)

Not Present: Wallace Gernt, Rosemary Booth Gallogly

Excused Absence: Joseph V. Centofanti, M.D., John Keimig, Robert S.L. Kinder, M.D., Denise Panichas, Robert Whiteside

Staff: Valentina Adamova, Michael K. Dexter, Don Williams

Public: (Attached)

1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Time Extension for the Minutes Availability

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 PM. The Chairman noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. The Chairman requested a motion for the extension of time for the availability of minutes pursuant to the Open Meetings Act. A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of eleven in favor and none opposed (11-0) that the availability of the minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Almon, Coia, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Lapierre, Quigley, Ricci, Ross, Shire.

2. General Order of Business

The first item on the agenda was Report of the Health Services Council on the application of The Providence Community Health Centers, Inc. for a change in effective control of Crossroads Rhode Island located at 160 Broad Street in Providence. Staff summarized committee deliberations on this matter. Staff noted that an errata sheet was distributed to the Council with a correction to the report.

A discussion ensued regarding Crossroad's referral issues.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of eleven in favor, none opposed (11-0) to recommend that the application be

approved as amended. Those members voting in favor of the motion were: Almeida, Almon, Coia, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Lapierre, Quigley, Ricci, Ross, Shire.

The Committee also recommended to notify the Director of Health regarding Crossroad's referral issues with regards to obtain care for its clients.

The next items on the agenda were DRAFT proposed Rules and Regulations for Determination of Need for New Health Care Equipment and New Institutional Health Services (R23-15-CON), DRAFT proposed Rules and Regulations for Licensing Hospice Care (R23-17-HPC), and DRAFT proposed Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Immunization, Testing, and Health Screening for Health Care Workers (R23-17-HCW). The Committee reviewed each proposed regulations separately. Comments were made regarding including a 'good faith' standard with regards to the proposed inclusion of MRI and CT to tertiary or specialty care services for the Rules and Regulations for Determination of Need for New Health Care Equipment and New Institutional Health Services (R23-15-CON).

3. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:15

PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Valentina D. Adamova