

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL**

**DATE:** 27 January 2009

**TIME:** 2:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Health Policy Forum  
Department of Health

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Council:** **Present:** Victoria Almeida, Esq., (Vice Chair), Edward F. Almon, Joseph Dowling, M.D., John W. Flynn, Gary J. Gaube, Wallace Gernt, Maria R. Gil, Sen. Catherine E. Graziano, R.N., Ph.D., Robert Hamel, R.N., Amy Lapierre, Thomas M. Madden, Esq., Robert J. Quigley, D.C (Chair), Reverend David Shire (Secretary)

**Excused:** Raymond C. Coia, Esq., Denise Panichas

**Not Present:** Joseph V. Centofanti, M.D., Robert Ricci, Robert Whiteside

**Staff:** Valentina D. Adamova, MBA, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Robert Marshall, PhD., Joseph G. Miller, Esq., Michael Varadian, JD, MBA

**Public:** (Attached)

**1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Time Extension for the Minutes Availability and Establishment of the Nominating Committee of the Health Services Council.**

The meeting was called to order at 2:35 PM. Minutes of the Health Services Council meeting of 16 December 2008 were adopted as submitted. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. 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, Dowling, Flynn, Gaube, Gernt, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Lapierre, Madden, Quigley.

The Chair appointed the members who would serve on the Nominating Committee of the Health Services Council as: Edward F. Almon, Sen. Catherine E. Graziano, R.N., Ph.D., Robert Ricci, with Sen. Catherine E. Graziano, R.N., Ph.D. being appointed as Chair of the Nominating Committee.

**2. General Order of Business**

The first item on the agenda was the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the applications of FC Investors XIV, LLC for change in effective control of: Haven Health Center of Coventry, Haven Health Center of Greenville, Haven Health Center of Pawtucket, and Haven Health Center of Warren.* Staff summarized the application and the deliberations of the Committee on this matter. Staff noted the errata sheet that was handed out regarding condition of approval requiring quarterly reporting to the Office of Facilities Regulations that was inadvertently left out of the report.

Committee discussed the issue regarding quality improvement monitor. The applicant noted that they have a regional nurse who provides quality oversight.

Mr. Gernt raised concerns regarding the issue that the escrow dollars requested from the former owner of these facilities were never used by the Department of Health. Staff noted that the escrow was established by the applicant to demonstrate quality and commitment.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of thirteen in favor and none opposed (13-0) to have the Department of Health provide a report to the Health Services Council regarding why the escrow funds were never utilized to address problems at the Haven facilities.

The applicant noted that currently all of the Haven facilities are in substantial compliance.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of thirteen in favor and none opposed (13-0) to recommend that the applications be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Almon, Dowling, Flynn, Gaube, Gernt, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Lapierre, Madden, Quigley, Shire.

The next item on the agenda was the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of **Infusion Resource, LLC** for initial licensure as an Organized Ambulatory Care Facility in East Providence*. Staff summarized the application and the deliberations of the Committee on this matter.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of twelve in favor, none opposed and one recusal (12-0-1) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Almon, Dowling, Flynn, Gaube, Gernt, Graziano, Hamel, Lapierre, Madden, Quigley, Shire. Those recusing were: Gil.

The next item on the agenda was the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of **Infusion Resource, LLC** for initial licensure as a Home Nursing Care Provider Agency in East Providence*. Staff summarized the application and the deliberations of the Committee on this matter.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of twelve in favor, none opposed and one recusal (12-0-1) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Almon, Dowling, Flynn, Gaube, Gernt, Graziano, Hamel, Lapierre, Madden, Quigley, Shire. Those recusing were: Gil.

### 3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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