



Department of Health

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MINUTES OF MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL

DATE: 18 July 2017

TIME: 2:00 PM

LOCATION: Department Operations Center
Rhode Island Department of Health

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Victoria M. Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John J. Barry III	X		
Stephen Boyle			X
Raymond C. Coia, Esq. (Secretary)	X		
John X. Donahue	X		
Lisa Lasky, CPA	X		
Jeanette S. Matrone, RN, PhD (Vice Chair)	X		
Ralph F. Racca	X		
John Sepe			X

Staff: Michael K. Dexter, Morgan Enroth, Colleen McCarthy, Esq., Paula Pullano, Kendall Jerzyk (Intern)

Public: (Attached)

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

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of the Health Services Council meeting of 20 June 2017 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made and passed by a vote of six in favor and none opposed (6-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Ms. Almeida, Mr. Barry, Mr. Donahue, Ms. Lasky, Dr. Matrone, and Mr. Racca.



2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was to review and adopt the *Report of the Health Services Council on the Application of Women & Infants Hospital of Rhode Island for a Certificate of Need to renovate its existing 20-bed birth center located at 101 Dudley Street in Providence*. Dr. Matrone, Vice-Chair, chaired meeting on this matter as Ms. Almeida, Chair, recused. Staff summarized the Report and the vote of the Council on this matter.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Donahue and approved by a vote of five in favor, none opposed, and one recused (5-0-1) to recommend that the Report be adopted as written, which recommended approval of the application subject to the standard conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included: Mr. Barry, Mr. Donahue, Ms. Lasky, Dr. Matrone, and Mr. Racca. Those members recused included: Ms. Almeida.

The next item on agenda was the applications of **Amerita, Inc. d/b/a Infusion Resource** (subsidiary of Pharmacy Corporation of America, ultimately owned by PharMerica Corp.) for the Change in Effective Control of Care Resource, LLC f/k/a Infusion Resource, LLC, a Home Nursing Care Provider and Organized Ambulatory Care Facility located at 2 Hemingway Drive in East Providence. Dr. Matrone, Vice-Chair, chaired meeting on this matter as Ms. Almeida, Chair, recused. Representatives of the applicant delivered a presentation and answered Council members' questions.



A motion was made by Mr. Coia, seconded by Mr. Barry and Mr. Donohue and approved by a vote of six in favor, none opposed, and one recused (6-0-1) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the standard conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included: Mr. Barry, Mr. Coia, Mr. Donahue, Ms. Lasky, Dr. Matrone, and Mr. Racca. Those members recused included: Ms. Almeida.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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