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The Attorney General Task Force to Improve End of Life Care

(hereinafter “Task Force”) met on December 12, 2006 at 9:00 A.M. in the Second Floor Conference Room, Building #73, Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, RI. Maureen Glynn called the meeting to order. The Task Force members and interested persons introduced themselves.

The Task Force approved the minutes from the meeting held on October 5, 2006.

The Task Force discussed the October 24, 2006 faith based-leaders end of life education program. The Task Force discussed the Pre-Test and Post-Test results from the October 26, 2006 “Learning to Say Good-bye” educational program. The attendees served eleven different faith groups at the program. All attendees reported improved knowledge in all topical areas.

The Task Force discussed whether to issue a Conference Report for the October 26, 2006 “Learning to Say Good-Bye” educational program. The Task Force concluded that issuing a Conference Report would be beneficial in memorializing the program and for future funding of similar initiatives.

The Task Force discussed offering a similar program as “Learning to Say Good-Bye” educational program in the Fall of 2007 at an East Bay location and a Central Southern Rhode Island location. The Rhode Island Council of Churches (“Council of Churches”) thought that Fall

would be a good time based on the activities of the major religions, would avoid summertime, and would provide, the Council of Churches the opportunity to spread the word about the educational program.

The Task Force received information about an outreach program for attorneys and accountant entitled “Estate Financial, and Health Care Planning for Elder Clients” to be held on October 11, 2006.

The Task Force discussed the November 2, 2006, Home & Hospice Care Of Rhode Island Program “How Long Do I Have to Live? Why Prognostic Questions Trouble Doctors.” The program spoke about the difficulty for physicians to prognosticate.

The Task Force discussed the Statewide Comprehensive Cancer Plan for Quality of Life, specifically palliative care. The Statewide Comprehensive Cancer Plan for Quality of Life Team is drafting the new Statewide Comprehensive Cancer Plan for Quality of Life will providing results to the Department of Health by the end of January 2007. The Plan seeks to address concerns about access to palliative care, pediatric palliative care and quality of life issues with palliative care. CDC is funding the project.

The Task Force discussed an Advanced Health Care Directive Day for 2007. The purpose of the Advanced Health Care Directive Day is call attention to the need and benefits of advanced care planning.

Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Connecticut have recognized advanced health care planning needs. The Task Force is planning for an Advanced Health Care Directive Day around the Thanksgiving holiday when families get together and would encourage discussion of advanced care planning.

The next meeting of the Task Force is scheduled for January 11, 2007 at a place to be announced.