

Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Services Implementation Task Force

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

1:00pm – 3:30pm

Meeting Minutes

I. Opening Remarks and Roll Call

Karen Senger, Task Force Co-Chair, Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. The meeting was held electronically pursuant to Public Act 101-0649 and a verbatim audio and video recording of this meeting was made. This recording is available online. Please email sane@atg.state.il.us to request a link to the recording.

Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present. The Roll Call vote can be found at the end of the minutes.

II. Approval of August 27, 2020 Meeting Minutes

The August 27, 2020 meeting minutes were reviewed, there were no corrections or additions. Sarah Beuning made a motion to approve the minutes. Christy Alexander seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a Roll Call Vote. The Roll Call vote can be found at the end of the minutes.

III. Illinois Department of Public Health Update

Karen Senger provided an updated for IDPH.

- IDPH SASETA Publications
 - The SASETA Hospital List can be found on IDPH's website at <http://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/health-care-regulation/facilities/hospitals>. There will be an updated list before the end of the year. Karen provided current and past numbers of types of facilities. IDPH expects a slight increase in the number of Transfer facilities. One Federally Qualified Health Center is in the process of submitting a sexual assault treatment plan for two locations.

	2019	Early 2020	Nov. 2020
Treatment	110	93	89
Treatment with Approved Pediatric Transfer	41	50	51
Transfer	40	43	46
Approved Pediatric Health Care Facilities	0	0	0
Out-of-State Hospitals	2	2	2
Federally Qualified Health Care Facilities	0	0	0

- IDPH is not currently conducting SASETA surveys of hospitals unless a complaint is received due to the pandemic.
- The current SASETA Data Collection Report was provided as a handout, which is also available at <http://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/health-care-regulation/facilities/hospitals>. There have been no changes since the last meeting.

IV. Office of the Illinois Attorney General Update

Jaclyn Rodriguez, Task Force Co-Chair, Office of the Illinois Attorney General (OAG) provided an update for the OAG.

- Jaclyn introduced Sharisse Kimbro, Chief, Crime Victim Services Division, OAG
 - Sharisse stated that the Division remains fully operation during the pandemic, having moved its trainings and outreach efforts online. She described the current efforts of the Division to expand the definition of “victim” and announced the expansion of the VCVA Grant Awards to community violence organizations.
- Online Training for Emergency Department Clinical Staff continues be available through Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. As of November 13, 2020, 7,381 individuals have completed the 2 hour training, including 344 who completed the training in months of September, October, and November.
- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Trainings
 - Jaclyn reviewed the Illinois SANE Training, Completion, and Certification Data Handout. Since the last Task Force meeting a virtual Pediatric training was held in October and a virtual Adult/Adolescent training was held in November. Two Adult/Adolescent virtual trainings will be held in December. There was a discussion regarding the impact of COVID on attendance. A majority of the trainings in 2021 will remain virtual. Due to the need to mail supplies to training participants, its more expensive to hold a virtual adult/adolescent training than it is to hold the training in person. The virtual pediatric training is slightly less expensive to hold but not significantly.
 - Jaclyn reviewed data handout of trained, currently practicing, and certified SANE numbers. An email will be sent out to known SANEs in early January 2021 to update the data.

V. Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) Criteria

- Proposed SAFE criteria was reviewed. To create criteria, OAG Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Clinical Logs were used as a starting point, changes in requirements for SAFEs were discussed. For didactic training requirements, applicants must provide an agenda, in addition to a certificate of completion in order to ensure training meets or is substantially equivalent to the International Association of Forensic Nurses Education Guidelines for Adult/Adolescent and Pediatric/Adolescent trainings, as required by statute.
- **Adult/Adolescent SAFE**
 - Reviewed AA SAFE Competency Checklist/Resources Handout
 - Feedback provided included

- That 15 female genital exams are excessive for physicians. Recommendation were made for 5 exams.
- Making forensic photography training requirement for SANEs and SAFEs was suggested.
- Suggestion that entry-level SANE workbook be highly encouraged.
- Simulations of medical forensic exams may be done in combination with live patient experience.
- **Pediatric/Adolescent SAFE**
 - Reviewed PA SAFE Competency Checklist/Resources Handout.
 - Differences from AA SAFE Criteria
 - Mentorship by SANE-P or Child Abuse Pediatrician required.
 - 25 well female genital exams, 3 in each developmental stages.
 - 10 acute or non-acute medical forensic exams
 - Optional multidisciplinary experiences
 - No mock exam or 2-day clinical training required due to mentorship.
 - Feedback provided include
 - 25 well exams at various developmental aged is reasonable.
- Criteria Excel document includes Tab with resources and options for each mandatory and optional experience.

VI. Presentation on Meds Southern Illinois Regional SANE Program

Sue Drabing, Lt Col(r), USAF, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC, Vice President - Provider & SANE Services, Meds. Sue introduced the Meds Program, a regional approach to providing medical forensic care in the Metro East Region. The Meds Program contracts with 16 regional facilities and staffs SANE nurses at multiple Treatment Hospitals across several hospital systems. The Meds Program coordinates with participating facilities to determine which facilities serve as transfer hospitals and treatment hospitals. This ensures the Treatment Hospitals will meet the January 1, 2022 requirement of having a qualified medical provider complete medical forensic exams.

VII. Committee Reports

On-Call SANE/SAFE Programs Committee

- Jessica O'Leary, OAG, reported that the Guide to Establishing an On-Call SANE Program was complete and awaiting final approval from the OAG Administration for distribution. The Guide can be found at https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/victims/saimplementationtaskforce/Guide_to_Establishing_an_On-Call_Sexual_Assault_Nurse_Examiner_Program_112020.pdf.

Out-of-State Areawide Treatment Plan Subcommittee

- Karen Senger reviewed the Out-of-State Subcommittee 11.18.20 Meeting Handout. Beginning January 2021, IDPH will begin collecting data from the out-of-state hospitals for 18 months for the Task Force to use in assessing the impact of out-of-state transfers. The OAG will be collection data during the same period from state's attorney's offices and rape crisis centers.

Urban Areawide Treatment Plan

- Jaclyn Rodriguez reviewed the Urban Subcommittee Strategic Plan 11.16.20 Handout. The Committee will first approach Chicago Area Hospitals that have the capability of accepting pediatric transfers to see if they would be willing and what support will be needed. Once those discussions are had, the Committee will look at mapping out the hospitals in the area and determine recommendation of where pediatric patients be transferred. Finally, the Committee will begin reaching out to several Treatment Hospitals who may be better off as Treatment Hospitals with Approved Pediatric Transfer as their pediatric case numbers do not support being a full Treatment Hospital.

Areawide Treatment Plan Committee

- Jaclyn Rodriguez reviewed the Guidance for Hospitals –Transportation of Sexual Assault Patients document as well as changes to the Sample Template – Written Agreement for Acute Adult/Adolescent Sexual Assault Transfers 11.12.20 and the Sample Template – Written Agreement for Acute Pediatric Sexual Assault Transfers 11.12.20 to reflect the issue of transportation. The Task Force will vote of the documents at the next meeting.

Cost of Care Committee

- Karen Senger discussed data that is being analyzed from 2016 – 2019, regarding specific ICD9 Categories relating to sexual assault. Karen is working with DHS to get reimbursement rates and actual charges.

Additional Committees on Hold

- Jaclyn announced that the Rural Areawide Treatment Plan Subcommittee, Telehealth Committee, and Nursing School Curriculum Committee will be convened in 2021.

VII Task Force Members Announcements and Concerns

No comments from Task Force members.

VIII. Public Comment

No comments from members of the public.

IX. 2021 Task Force Meeting Dates

The 2021 meeting dates are Thursday, February 25th, 2021, Friday, April 30th, 2021, Wednesday, August 18th, 2021, and Wednesday, November 17th, 2021. At this time it is the intention that these meeting will continue to be held electronically via the WebEx Platform.

X. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Christy Alexander and Dr. Monika Pitzele seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a Roll Call Vote. The Roll Call vote can be found at the end of the minutes.

Task Force Members	Present	Absent	Vote to Approve Minutes	Vote to Adjourn Meeting
Ann Adlington	X		Yes	Yes
Christy Alexander	X		Yes	Yes
Amy Barry	X		Yes	Yes
Brenda Beshears		X	---	---
Sarah Beuning	X		Yes	Yes
Nancee Brown	X		Yes	Yes
Dr. Joseph Burton		X	---	---
Dr. Scott Cooper	X		No Vote	No Vote
Brenda Danosky	X		Yes	Yes
Dr. Marjorie Fujara	X		Yes	No Vote
Representative Robyn Gabel		X	---	---
Marites (Tes) Gonzaga-Reardon		X	---	---
Dr. Arvind Goyal		X	---	---
Eva Hopp	X		No Vote	No Vote
Heather Keirnan		X	Yes	---
Kim Mangiaracino	X		Yes	Yes
Lisa Mathey	X		Yes	Yes
Senator Julie Morrison		X	---	---
Jessica O’Leary	X		Yes	Yes
Debra Perry	X		Yes	No Vote

The Implementation Task Force approved the November 18, 2020 Meeting Minutes on February 25, 2021.

Dr. Channing Petrak	X		No Vote	Yes
Dr. Monika Pitzele	X		Yes	Yes
Senator Sue Rezin	X		No Vote	No Vote
Jaclyn Rodriguez	X		Yes	Yes
Karen Senger	X		Yes	Yes
Representative Mike Unes		X	---	---