Minutes

Chair: Robin L. Jones

Attendees: Pat Schneider, Cynthia Wong, Pat Prentice, Shirley Scott, Paula Melone, Jerome Loew, Kevin Madsen, J. Roger Powell, Pat Schneider, Stacie Geller, Trish O’Malley, Deborah Boyle, Judith Hibbard, Robert Gessner

Absent: Michael Leonardi, Harold Bigger, Barb Prochnicki (all excused)

IDPH Staff: Charlene Wells

1. Review and Approval of Minutes- April 11, 2012
The minutes of the April 11, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Cynthia Wong moved approval and Shirley Scott seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

2. Update from the Illinois Coroner’s and Medical Examiners Association - Mr. Bob Gessner

Mr. Bob Gessner, Secretary of the Illinois Coroner’s and Medical Examiners Association and Kankakee County Coroner, presented the MMRC letter regarding components of maternal autopsies to the Association Meeting. He indicated that there was agreement on the components identified. Discussion was held regarding the need for more autopsies in maternal death cases. The MMRC may be able to team with the Association to discuss with key lawmaker, however, additional funding in the current environment is unlikely.

3. Future of Obesity Workgroup

Discussion was held regarding the issues of obesity. Maternal Mortality patients who had cardiac diagnosis including cardiomyopathy from 2008-2011 had a 65% incidence of obesity as a co-morbidity.
Dr. Boyle agreed to convene a workgroup to produce a checklist of items for providers treating obese patients. Pat Prentice will try to obtain data on the current incidence of obesity in maternal mortality cases in Illinois.

4. MMRC Case Reviews and Recommendations

Trish O’Malley moved to close the meeting. Stacie Geller seconded the motion. The meeting was closed at 11:25 am. Pat Schneider motioned re-opening of the meeting at 12:50 pm, Kevin Madsen seconded the motion. The meeting was opened

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm.