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Date: August 15, 2024
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Subject: Minutes of the South Carolina Data Oversight Council Meeting

Attendees: *Committee Members* -Dr. Marcus Ferguson - DHHS (*Teams*), Dr. Abdoulaye Diedhiou - DHEC (*Teams*), Dr. William Jennings - BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina (*Teams*), Ms. Elizabeth Fletcher - Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System (*Teams*), Mr. Kevin Tinch, Internetwork Engineering (*Teams*)

Guest - Ms. Kelly Stigamier, Office of Comptroller General (*Teams*)

Staff - Ms. Sarah Crawford and Mr. Chris Finney (*Teams*)

- I. Ms. Sarah Crawford, RFA Liaison to the DOC, called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.
- II. The May 16, 2024 meeting minutes, which previously had been shared with the DOC members, were presented and members were asked if there were any edits or questions. Hearing no amendments or objections, Ms. Elizabeth Fletcher motioned to approve the minutes; Dr. Abdoulaye Diedhiou seconded the motion. With no objections, the minutes were approved as written.
- III. Review of Data Requests

Request 1: Jorge Luis Garcia: Texas A&M University - "Understanding the Effects of Foster Care and Adoption: A Causal Analysis"

- The SC Data Oversight Council had some questions and concerns regarding this request:
 - The DOC wanted some clarification on the time-period for following individuals and whether that is pre and post. Also wanted the specific time-period defined for following individuals in the hospital data.
 - They also asked for some clarification on the inclusion criteria for the cohort.
- **Tabled: With these concerns and the fact that a lot of years were being requested the DOC tabled the request till the additional details can be provided.**

- B. Request 2: Dulaney Wilson: Medical University of South Carolina –
“Population-Based Estimates of Traumatic Brain Injury and Subsequent Post-Traumatic Epilepsy”
- The DOC members requested that RFA calculate and provide the weeks and months from the diagnosis to the date of death.
 - **Approved: With this specific modification, Dr. William Jennings motioned to approve the application; Dr. Marcus Ferguson seconded the motion. With no objections, the application was approved with the specified modifications.**
- C. Request 3: Kalyani Sonawane: Medical University of South Carolina –
“Examining cancer disparities in South Carolina across the Disease Continuum”
Amendment
- This original request was tabled in the November 2023 meeting over concerns about the possibility of reidentification due to the request of actual service dates, patient date of birth and zip code. The researcher modified the application to address these concerns, and the members were satisfied with the amended application.
 - **Approved: Dr. Abdoulaye Diedhiou motioned to approve the application; Ms. Elizabeth Fletcher seconded the motion. With no objections, the amended application was approved without any additional modifications.**

IV. General Discussion

- A. Reminder of reappointment of DOC members and designating a DOC chairperson.
- Ms. Sarah Crawford reminded members of upcoming terms expiring and the reappointment of those members. Reminder emails will be sent to those members.
- B. Update on Imago MRI reporting
- Mr. Chris Finney provided an update on the status of the MRI facility Imago reporting data as required in Legislation. RFA contacted Imago and they have willing begun providing data in the basic HCFA 1500 format.
- C. Revisions to the Hospital Data Application and the DOC Protocols document.
- RFA has revised the data application and the DOC protocols to be consistent with data reporting currently required and available. The revised documents were presented for review.
 - It was proposed that for the breakout of primary payor, that Medicaid and Medicare be further broken out to account for managed care and duals. The new available values for this field will be:

- Medicare FFS,
- Medicare MCO/PPO,
- Medicare Duals,
- Medicaid FFS,
- Medicaid MCO/PPO,
- Insurance,
- HMO,
- Self-Pay,
- Indigent,
- TriCare,
- Worker’s Compensation, and
- Other

– **Approved: Ms. Elizabeth Fletcher motioned to approve the revised documents with the suggested modifications. Dr. Marcus Ferguson seconded the motion. With no objections, the motion passed with the specified modification.**

D. No other items were brought to the Council for discussion. The next meeting is scheduled for November 21st, 2024, at 2:00pm.

V. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:50pm.

Public Notice of this meeting was posted at: <https://rfa.sc.gov/boards-committees/dataoversight>.

The minutes were approved on November 21, 2024

Sarah Crawford *Sarah Crawford*