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Date: February 20, 2025
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Subject: Minutes of the South Carolina Data Oversight Council Meeting

Attendees: *Committee Members* – Dr. Abdoulaye Diedhiou – DPH (*Teams*), Dr. William Jennings – BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina (*Teams*), Dr. Aunyika Moonan – SC Hospital Association (*Teams*), Mr. Brandt Smith – SC Medical Association (*Teams*), Mr. Kevin Tinch, Internetwork Engineering (*Teams*)

Staff – Ms. Sarah Crawford, Ms. Dianne Davis, and Mr. Chris Finney (*Teams*)

- I. Ms. Sarah Crawford, RFA Liaison to the DOC, called the meeting to order at 2:05pm.
- II. The February 20, 2025, meeting minutes, which were previously shared with the DOC members, were presented and members were asked if there were any edits or questions. Hearing no amendments or objections, Dr. Aunyika Moonan motioned to approve the minutes; Dr. William Jennings seconded the motion. With no objections, the minutes were approved as written.
- III. Review of Data Requests
 - A. Request 1: Songyuan Deng: SC Center for Rural & Primary Healthcare – “AI-enabled Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Operation Planning for Acute Medical Events” *Amendment*
 - This research project aims to leverage artificial intelligence (AI) to reduce response time and travel time of EMS vehicles responding to acute medical events caused by chronic conditions. The project team will use AI- based mining of medical data and develop an AI-enabled algorithm for EMS vehicle allocation and routing design.
 - The DOC requested the researcher to provide details on the AI technology and decided to table in the November 21, 2024, meeting.
 - The researcher submitted an updated application with the requested details on the functionality, implementation, and the environment for the AI technology.

- **Approved: Mr. Brandt Smith motioned to approve the application; Dr. Abdoulaye Diedhiou seconded the motion. With no objections, the application was approved with no modifications.**

B. Request 2: Orgul Ozturk: University of South Carolina – “Education and Birth Outcomes - Evidence from SC Accountability Programs and Policies” *Amendment*

- The original application was approved in the November 2023 DOC meeting. The proposed project aims to examine the relationship between educational policies and long-run outcomes. The researcher has submitted an amendment to modify the cohort to include students across both 8th and 9th grades.
- **Approved: Dr. William Jennings motioned to approve the application; Mr. Brandt Smith seconded the motion. With no objections, the application was approved with no modifications.**

C. Request 3: Jillian Catoe: SC Department of Public Health – “Surveillance for DPH’s Injury and Substance Use Prevention Section”

- The purpose of this request is to utilize all-payer hospital claims data to conduct public health surveillance activities for topics such as injury, violence, substance use, behavioral health, and chronic disease issues for the state of South Carolina.
- **Approved: Dr. Aunyika Moonan motioned to approve the application; Mr. Brandt Smith seconded the motion. With no objections, the application was approved with no modifications.**

IV. General Discussion

A. No other items were brought to the Council for discussion. The next meeting is scheduled for May 15th, 2025, at 2:00pm.

V. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:25pm.

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

The minutes were approved on May 15, 2025

Sarah Crawford *Sarah Crawford*