



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Office of Behavioral Health

HCR 113 Louisiana Commission on Preventing Opioid Abuse
Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2017

- I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 1:44 p.m. by Co-chair Malcolm Broussard

Present:

Malcolm Broussard, La Board of Pharmacy
James Hussey, OBH
Janice Petersen, LDH/OBH
Cynthia York, La State Board of Nursing
Raman Singh, Dept of Corrections
Murphy Paul, Dept of Public Safety
Floyd "Flip" Roberts, La Hospital Association
Cindy Bishop, La Orthopedic Assoc
Gerald Davis, La Primary Care Assoc
Michael Wilks, LA Psychological Assoc
Charles Fox, LSUHSC Shreveport
Monica Morgan, La Soc Health Sys Pharm
John DeRosier, La District Attorneys Association
Paul Hubbell, Soc of Interv Pain Phys of La
Ginny Martinez, PHRMA
Shelly Esnard, La Acad of Phys Assistants
Kathy Chittom, Chiropractic Assoc of La
Kerry Lentini, La Supreme Court
Srey Ram Kuy, LDH Medicaid
Sharon Brigner, PHRMA
Pete Martinez, PHRMA
Jeff Caffery, La Indep Pharmacies Assoc
Melissa Mendoza, La Dept of Health
William "Beau" Clark, La Coroner's Assoc
Allison Hagan, Medicine Louisiana
Sheral Kellar, La Workforce Commission
Ragan LeBlanc, La Academy Family Phys
Deborah Thomas, Addictive Disorder Reg Auth
Luke LeBas, (La) Amer College of Emerg Room Physicians
Adrienne Trogden, La Assoc of Substance Abuse Counselors & Trainers
Benjamin Record, La Dental Assoc
Jamie Bolden, LSUHSC New Orleans
Cheryll Bowers-Stephens, La Assoc Health Plans
Parham Jaber, OPH

Keetsie Gunnels, La Department of Justice
Brandi Cannon, Health & Welfare Committee
Corinne Green, Office of the Governor
Matt Moreau, La Cannabis Association
Gary Patureau, La Assoc of Self Insured Emp
Mary Ann Maumus, Oschner
Christine Peck, Senate H&W
Robin Krumholt, Workers Comp Advisory Council
Chaunda Mitchell, Office of the Governor
Jen Wright, La State Board of Nursing
Jennifer Stolie, LSBME
Thad Toups, La Assoc of Drug Court Prof
Charlotte Martin, La Physical Therapy Bd
Patrick Cook, La Physical Therapy Board
Traci Perry, OBH
Leslie Deville-McDaniel, OBH
William Kirchain, La Pharmacists Assoc
Robin Gruenfeld, La Bureau of Family Health
Andrew Ward, Odyssey House/CLASSP
Michael Gomila, LDH
Rochelle Head-Dunham, MHSD
Roland Dartez, La Assoc of Self Insured Employers
Thomas Travis, La Department of Insurance
Andre Stolie, La Independent Pharmacies Assoc
Joseph Tramantino, La Psychological Assoc
Mona Michelli, DCFS
Annette Snyder, DCFS
Kevin Caldwell, SMDL
Charles Herring, Chiropractic Association
Lonnie Granier, CLASPP
Nell Wilson, OPH/BHI
Carla Neely, Aetna
Jamie Steele, LPTA
Leslie Freeman, OBH
Mary Lingwall, Bureau of Family Health
Alysha McAllister, OBH

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Not present:

A.K. Roy, La Psychiatric Medical Association
M. Lynn Ansardi, La State Bd of Practical
Nurse Examiners
Rita Finn, La State Nurses Association
Lisa Bayhi, La Assoc of Nurse Practitioners

Tammy O'Connor, La Council of Emerg Nurses Assoc
Indra Osi, La Health Information Mgmt Assoc
Mitch Bratton, La Assoc of Chiefs of Police
Anthony Lowery, La Coalition of Addiction Counselors
Jennifer Marusak, La State Medical Society

- A. Opening Remarks – Co-chair Malcolm Broussard welcomed all Commission Members and guests. Mr. Broussard informed the Commission that LDH Secretary Rebekah Gee had a calendar conflict.
- B. Motion was made to approve Minutes from January 19, 2017 Meeting was made by Co-chair Malcolm Broussard.
 - i. Robin Gruenfeld seconded motion
 - ii. Minutes were approved.
- C. Review of Team Recommendations 5 – 7
 - i. Team Lead Topic 5 Robin Gruenfeld gave overview of proposed recommendations (revised).
 - 5:24 – change “further legislative action” to “further legislative study”. Also, recommendation was made to 1) include other agencies that are appropriate and 2) contact Chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee and request that staff draft legislation on this.
 - The Massachusetts report information from the original recommendations will be included.
 - No objections to recommendations
 - ii. Team Lead Topic 6 Srey Ram Kuy, M.D. gave overview of proposed recommendations.
 - No objections to recommendations
 - iii. Team Lead Topic 7 John DeRosier gave overview of proposed recommendations.
 - 7:1 – change “Drug Court” to “Specialty Court”
 - 7:4 – change “drug court” to “specialty court”; also, it was noted that there are restrictions to who is allowed to access state PMP database
 - No objections to recommendations
 - iv. Team Lead Topic 8 gave overview and asked for any other comments/changes/recommendations
 - 2:1 – recommend using first 2 lines of the CDC recommendations
 - 2.2 - Board of Nursing, Cynthia York, Jen Wright will discuss separate scope of practice/ nurse practitioners with Topic 2 Team Lead
 - 3.3 – to be amended as noted in Jan 19 meeting minutes
 - 3.6 – repeated the recommendation to omit

- Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association and the Louisiana Society of Addiction Medicine, Ken Roy, M.D. was unable to attend, but sent the following recommendations via email on Feb 19th:
 1. 3-4 should have a subparagraph
 - a. Reduce payer originated and resource-based barriers to access to MAT
 - i. Initial Prior Authorization should be immediate with review within the first 15 days for the first year of treatment.
 2. 3-6 should be eliminated as stated in the minutes of the last meeting
 3. 5-15 should have a subparagraph
 - a. Payers should develop a funding mechanism for the in-program care of dependent children of women with dependent children who require residential treatment for addiction
 4. 5-16 the meaning of this should be clarified. A Medical Home would have to include the mother also.
 5. 6-All these are necessary and overdue recommendations
 6. 8- I do not see any recommendations, but we suggest:
 - a. Initial Prior Authorization should be immediate, with review within the first 15 days for the first year of treatment.
 - b. Prior authorization following detoxification should be immediate, with review within the first 15 days for the next year of treatment
 - c. Arbitrary limits to the time course of MAT should be eliminated
 - d. Establish evidence-based treatment requirement for residential treatment programs to embrace the use of maintenance medications (repeat 6-3)

D. Next Steps

- i. The goal is to submit report as soon as possible, but no later than April 1st
- ii. Team Leads to work with report writer, Michael Gomila (LDH Office of the Secretary), to finalize the report.
- iii. Moving forward, all communication will be handled through email. No more meetings will be held.
- iv. Continuation of this Commission will be recommended

E. Adjournment – Malcolm Broussard adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.