Palliative Care
Interdisciplinary Advisory Council

July 10, 2017
Full Board Meeting #8
10:00 a.m.
Meeting Overview

Main Objectives

• Review and approve meeting minutes
• Staff update on program initiatives, timelines, and legislative updates
• Workgroup (WG) updates:
  • Discuss the 2018 legislative report and topics
  • Review draft of the provider side of the palliative care website
  • Enlist member support for the production of a palliative care educational video
  • Obtain approval for objectives and outline for a planned Oct. 23 continuing education (CE) event
• Hear from our stakeholders
Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council

Review and approval of meeting minutes from April 3
Staff Update

Program Initiatives

1. Planning and progress reporting
2. Data analytics
3. Patient and Provider palliative care website
4. Production of a palliative care educational video
5. Continuing education
Staff Update

Upcoming Milestones:

- **July 14:** Submit provider draft to web development team
  - Goal – Launch provider page before next council meeting
- **July 21:** Submit draft CE course packet
- **September 1:** Pre-production of palliative care video
- **October 23:** Next council meeting and continuing education event
- **January – March 2018:** Appointment of members
- **Aug. 1, 2018:** Legislative report approved and routed to legislature
## 2017 Legislative Report Timeline (Proposed)

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<td>Mar 13 – Mar 17: WG Calls (Identify priorities for WG, prepare to present at Full Council Meeting (FCM))</td>
<td>Apr 3: Full Council Meeting</td>
<td>May 8 – May 19: WG Calls (Begin data collection/analysis, discuss report topics)</td>
<td>Jun 5: WG Call (Prepare preliminary data analysis and roadmap for remaining data analysis and discuss report topics)</td>
<td>Jul 10: Full Council Meeting (Brainstorm on report topics)</td>
<td>Aug 7 – Aug 18: WG Calls (Discuss data analysis and report recommendations)</td>
<td>Sept 1 – Sept 22: WG Calls (Review alternatives for topics and recommendations at next FCM)</td>
<td>Oct 23: Full Council Meeting (Present data to support recommendations, Council will be asked to adopt recommendations during this meeting and potentially a January meeting, solicit stakeholder comment on recommendations)</td>
<td>Dec 4 – Dec 15: WG Calls (Discuss further data support, prepare for potential January FCM)</td>
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*The above dates are tentative.*
2018 Legislative Report Timeline (Proposed)

**JAN**
- Jan 22 – 26: WG Calls (Plan report drafting)
- Jan: Full Council Meeting (Tentative, if needed)

**FEB**
- Feb 14-18: WG Calls (Revise recommendations, prepare to present at FCM)

**MAR**
- March: Full Council Meeting (Finalize recommendations and take stakeholder comment)
- Mar 26 – Jun 26: Writing the Report
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**APR - MAY**
- Apr 16 – Apr 20: WG Calls (Revising and editing)
- May 9: WG Calls (Assess progress on draft report)

**JUN**
- Jun 1: First draft complete
- Jun: Full Council Meeting (Recommendations will be precise at this time)
- Jun 11- Jul 1: Staff works with the Chair to finalize the report
- Jul 1 - Jul 15: Solicit Stakeholder comment letters
- Jul 15: Comment letters from Stakeholders due

**JUL**
- Aug 1: Final version of the report will be complete and routed through Health and Human Services Commission
- Oct 1: Final report due to legislature

**AUG**
- Aug 1: Final report due to legislature

**OCT**
- Oct 1: Full Council Meeting

**NOV**
- PCIAC Legislative Report

*The above dates are tentative.*
Staff Update

85th Texas Legislature, Regular Session –
The following bills have been signed:

• **Senate Bill (SB) 1731**
  • Relating to the repeal of laws governing certain state entities, including the functions of those entities (note that SB 1731 removed the Sunset date for the Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council)

• **SB 919**
  • Authority of an advanced practice registered nurse or physician assistant to sign a death certificate or out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate order

• **House Bill (HB) 995**
  • Form and revocation of medical powers of attorney

• **HB 2561**
  • Continuation and functions of Texas State Board of Pharmacy
Staff Update

85th Texas Legislature, Special Session

• Begins July 18
• Call includes Sunset legislation for the Texas Medical Board
• Call might include legislation related to Do Not Resuscitate orders
Legislative Planning and Progress Reporting WG

Two major deliverables for the 2018 report to the legislature:

• Availability and quality data for both Supportive Palliative Care and Hospice Services across our diverse state

• Legislative planning recommendations to help Texas improve our National Palliative Care Registry grade
Data Analytics/Dashboard Update

• Hospital Supportive and Palliative Care (SPC) programs
  - Joint Commission (JC) certification, hospice vs. hospital affiliations
  - Provider specific PC board certifications

• Hospice programs
  - JC and/or Community Health Accreditation Partner certifications
  - Free standing or designated units

• Health professions/workforce data
  - Physicians, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Physician’s Assistants, Social Workers, Chaplains, Child Life Specialists
  - Pediatric vs. Adult

• Additional analytics
  - Long Term Acute Care hospitals with SPC services
  - Claims based utilization statistics
  - Quality measures
## Legislative Planning and Progress Reporting WG

### HOSPITALS REPORTING PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICE PROGRAMS

**U.S. & TEXAS, 2012-2015**

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Legislative Planning and Progress Reporting WG

Legislative Report:

- Council charges include:
  - Identifying barriers to palliative care services
  - Improving availability of palliative care, particularly in early stages of illness
  - Evidence based policies, practices, and protocols
  - Patient’s rights to information on palliative care

- Potential report topics include:
  - Communication/conversations
  - Education pipeline/workforce
  - Follow-up on previous report topics
  - Discussion on other ideas:
    - Goals = Topics
    - Strategies = Recommendations
Website Development WG

To visit the webpage go to: https://hhs.texas.gov/services/health/palliative-care
**Website Development WG**

**Discussion Points:**

- Patient and family website is now live
  - Regular tracking of Google analytics
  - Translated and published in Spanish in July

- Next Steps for the website:
  - Provider and education page
    - Promote continuing education for health care providers
    - Compile model policies, practices, protocols and other technical assistance resources
  - Palliative care educational video
Main Points for Provider Page:

• Why palliative care matters in Texas
• Where you can learn more about palliative care services
• The benefits of providing palliative care
• Working in an interdisciplinary team
• Knowing if your patient qualifies for palliative care services
• Patient referral services for supportive and palliative care and hospice
• Approaching your patient and their family about palliative care
• Pediatric palliative care
Website Development WG

**Video Development:**

- Five-minute video discussing palliative care
- Approximately three interviews
  - Two interviews with someone who has received palliative care, family members, or friends
  - One interview with a palliative care provider
  - Video team will travel to San Antonio, Houston or Dallas
- WG will draft six to 10 interview questions – requesting council input
- Timeline:
  1. Preproduction: Sept. 1 to Oct. 31
  2. Production: Nov. 1 to Jan. 31, 2018
  3. Postproduction: Feb. 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018
Continuing Education Event:

• WG is planning CE event (up to three hours)
• Scheduled (tentative): October 23 in Brown-Heatly public hearing room
• Working with Department of State Health Services (Continuing Education Service, Office of Academic Affairs)
• Goals:
  • Credit for multiple disciplines
  • Include at least one ethics credit
  • Live event available in person and through webinar or webcasting
  • May develop into a regularly scheduled series
Continuing Education WG

Proposed Event Planning Milestones:

• Today: Discuss learning objectives and overall plan for the event

• July 19: Planning committee compiles information needed for CE Doc Pac
  • Planning committee disclosure forms
  • Speaker biographical information
  • Learning needs assessment/learning objectives
  • Program structure and content
  • Evaluation

• July 21: Staff completes CE Doc Pac
Proposed Event Planning Milestones (cont.):

- July/August:
  - Doc Pac revisions
  - Promotional materials
  - Registration form/link to webpage
  - Save the date announcement

- September/October:
  - Beta testing
  - Marketing/promotional activities
  - Registration
  - Logistical preparations

- Oct. 23: CE Event
- Post Event: Evaluation and certification
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Staff Action Items
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Public Comment

Onsite participants, please come to the podium and provide your name and organization for the record.

Comments may be submitted in writing to staff for inclusion in the meeting record.
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Meeting Adjourned
Thank you

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Visit the PCIAC Advisory Council webpage to learn more:
https://hhs.texas.gov/about-hhs/leadership/advisory-committees/palliative-care-interdisciplinary-advisory-council