

# State Consumer Health Information and Policy (SCHIP) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** March 13, 2025

**Time:** 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Location: Florida Center 2727 Mahan Drive Building 3, Tallahassee, FL 32308

**Members Present:** Karen L. van Caulil, Ph.D., David Shapiro, M.D., Joyce Case, Jarrod Fowler, Dennis Hollingsworth, Lindy Kennedy, Andrew Weatherill, Cindy Meredith

**Agency Staff Present:** Pamela King, Crystal Ritter, Milly Hardin, Susan Slappey, Jose Baraja-Medina, Kim Davis-Allen, Jamie Harley, Erika Pearce

**Presenters:** Craig Dalton

Interested Parties Present: William Hightower, Jason Hand, Mike Milnes, Tami Sebastian, Stephanie Shields, Brian Smart, Geri Newman, Sharanda Sipe, Amelia Cowan, Gail Matillo, Jenny Raulerson, Brandon Neiswender, Anthony Duarte, Aidan Lurtz, Shelley Mannino, Denise Bellville, Craig Behm

Meeting Materials: <u>State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council</u> (myflorida.com)

Welcome & Roll Call: Dr. Karen van Caulil called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Dr. van Caulil asked Milly Hardin to read the Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) statement and to take roll. Ms. Hardin read the ITN statement:

"On Monday, May 6, 2024, the Agency released AHCA ITN 012-23/24, Statewide Health Information Exchange Service, in the Vendor Information Portal. The matter is the subject of litigation and communication with AHCA about the case should only be made through the agency's attorney (Joe Helton or Andrew Sheeran, the General Counsel)."

Ms. Hardin took roll and a quorum was present.

**Review and Approve Meeting Minutes:** Dr. van Caulil asked the Council if they had a chance to review the meeting minutes; all members agreed they had a chance to review the minutes. Dr. David Shapiro moved to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Lindy Kennedy and carried unanimously.



**Previous Action Items:** Milly Hardin gave status updates.

#### **Action Items**

Send Council members Patient Safety Culture Survey educational session - Completed

Meet with Karen van Caulil in January about SCHIP's role in providing input on E-PLUS and other additional areas as needed. Completed

Provide additional information on the algorithm used by the vendor to establish the APCD bundle amounts. Pending

Finalize the date and the location of the retreat. Postponed

Send next year's meeting dates to Council members for feedback. Completed

Florida Center Updates: Pamela King gave the unit updates, which were as follows:

Ms. King noted that Dr. Shapiro brought Senate Bill 1588 and House Bill 493 to staff's attention. If passed, these bills would sunset the State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council and the Bone Marrow Transplant Advisory Panel. Ms. King noted that additional information on this topic will be provided as it is received.

# Office of Data Dissemination and Transparency - Patricia Vidal, Administrator Transparency Websites:

- FloridaHealthFinder Website Updates:
  - New search options:
    - Urgent Care
    - Baker Act
  - Homepage tool/flip cards:
    - o New Congenital Heart Surgery
    - o New Pregnancy and Parenting Resources
  - o Enhanced the ability to export facility data by allowing excel, ZIP, and CSV as file options
- *MyFloridaRx* Website:
  - o Refreshed imagery on homepage
  - o Added a generic versus brand name comparison filter
  - o FloridaHealthPriceFinder Website 2023 data will be refreshed later this year.

## Office of Data Collection and Quality Assurance - Susan Slappey, Administrator

- Staff Changes
  - o The former Data Collection Unit Administrator, Nancy Tamariz, retired earlier this year. The Agency is pleased to announce that Susan Slappey has been appointed to this position. Krischell Weston has been appointed to Ms. Slappey's former position of Program Administrator.



### • Blood Clot and Pulmonary Embolism Policy (BCPEP) Workgroup

BCPEP Workgroup completed the required report, with recommendations. The report
is on the Agency website and can be accessed by going to <u>BCPEP Policy Report |</u>
Florida Agency for Health Care Administration

### • Discharge Data Reporting

- o Q3 2024 data certification date closed March 3rd, 2025
- o Q4 2024 quarter is currently ongoing

#### • Patient Safety Culture Survey Program

- The Agency's Patient Safety Culture Survey (PSCS) registration went live in January 2025. The Agency is preparing for the inaugural PSCS data reporting period, June 1st through August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The system is regularly tested and the PSCS website is updated regularly with upcoming education sessions and the latest notifications from the Agency.
- o The Agency works with Florida hospitals and ambulatory surgical center (ASCs), their respective associations, and all interested parties to provide ongoing education sessions regarding the PSCS administration procedure and Agency expectations.
- The PSCS Team continues to be proactive in solution-based planning for potential disruptions in system functionality or use of the PSCS system.

#### Office of Health Information and Exchange – Pamela King, Administrator

#### • Health Information Exchange:

- The Agency has selected a vendor. However, as Ms. Harden stated earlier, the Agency is in the middle of litigation over this procurement so it cannot be discussed further. The Council will be updated, as appropriate.
  - Some other updates related to Florida HIE Mayo Clinic recently went live as an Encounter Notification Service (ENS) data source.
  - Connectivity with the Florida Department of Health's (DOH) Emergency Management System (EMS) program is increasingly improving there is currently a 67% match rate other states are taking notice of this work.
  - DOH's Uterine Fibroid Registry and Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (E-FORCSE) is configured and awaiting the signed DOH addendum to begin receiving data.
- o The ePrescribing Report for 2024 is nearing completion, the Agency hopes to have the Report ready before the next meeting of the Council.

## • E-PLUS Program

- o The E-PLUS program is working to expand utilization of the system throughout the various counties in Florida.
- The team is working to update the user interface as a means to support patient matching algorithms from the national networks.



Health Information Exchange Coordinating Committee (HIECC) Update: HIECC Chair Craig Dalton provided the HIECC update. The HIECC met on February 12<sup>th</sup>. New member Stacy Hall was formally introduced; she is currently investigating details on ePrescribing numbers, specifically, how compound pharmacy data is included in ePrescribing reports as there appears to be a decrease in the number of participating pharmacies. Ms. Hall will also be reaching out to get further verification from providers regarding what they are seeing to help the HIECC have a clearer picture of the situation.

Florida Center staff also provided an overview of the 3008 Form used for Medicaid Eligibility and efforts hospitals are using to adapt the 3008 form for electronic completion and consumption. The Agency will be hosting an educational session on this with Medicaid staff and Department of Elder Affairs staff on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

There was also discussion surrounding an Artificial Intelligence Task Force that is chaired by the HIECC's Vice Chair, Dr. Kayvan Amini.

**Patient Safety Culture Survey Update:** Susan Slappey stated the registration process went live in January; the submission due date is set for June 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31. A training session was held March 12, 2025, with monthly training sessions to be held until the submission end date in August. Previous training sessions and a registration tutorial are posted on the PSCS website (i.e. navigating the dashboard & uploading surveys).

Ms. Slappey gave a brief demonstration on using the PSCS system and website. She answered several questions from members regarding the system including survey status indicators, any minimum requirements for response rates, and any penalties for no compliance.

Break: No break was taken.

One Florida Presentation: Will be moved to the June meeting.

Public Comments: No public comments.

#### **Meeting Summary & Next Steps:**

New Action Items	Owner
Provide additional information on the algorithm used by the vendor to	Trish Vidal/Jaime
establish the bundle amounts (December 2024)	Bustos
Share the PSCS website link with the Council members	Crystal Ritter
Share the slides of the One Florida Presentation ahead of the next meeting	Crystal Ritter



**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Dr. David Shapiro moved to adjourn, with a second from Ms. Kennedy. With no objections, the Council adjourned at 11:17 am.

