

**Statewide Steering Committee on Services for Adults
with Sickle Cell Disease
Meeting Minutes**

Date August 19, 2020

Time 10 am-12 pm

Location: Google Meets (recorded meeting)

Members Present: Baker, Francine; Brown Gray, Virginia; Callahan, Charles; Fitzgerald, Shantia; Francis-Gibson, Beverley; Lanzkron, Sophie; Robertson, Derek; Strawberry, Dyshekia; Taylor, James; Williams, Rudolph; Martin, Abby; Law, Jennie

Members Absent: Butler, Camille;Thompson-Chittams, Toni; Bailey, Mickell; Pecker, Lydia; Nnake, Ijeoma; Riley, Crystal; Fixler, Jason

Guests Present: Rabner, M. (CRISP), Shelly Choo MD, Jed Miller MD, Patel, S. (CRISP), Garland, M., Taylor, B.,

Committee Staff: Monika Piccardi

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Lanzkron at 10:00 am. Dr. Lanzkron took roll call.

The Committee reviewed and approved the previous meeting minutes of May 20, 2020. Updates and questions were answered from the previous meeting.

The Chairperson polled those members present for reappointment to the committee. Reappointment process was reviewed and discussed. Monika discussed those members that were not present at the meeting as to their wish to be reappointed and well as those that did not as noted in emails. At this time only one current member did not wish to be reappointed to the committee.

Shelly Choo MD was presented to the committee as the new MCHB Director. Dr. Choo spoke a few words of introduction and answered questions from committee members.

Marc Rabner MD presented CRISP to the committee and answered questions from members regarding the capabilities of the system.

Committee members confirmed participants in each of the four workgroups: upcoming grant opportunity from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; access to care in Prince George's County; sickle cell trait; and transition from pediatric to adult care. It was decided that the staffer, Monika, would reach out to members to confirm which

workgroup(s) they are or would like to participate in as well as adding additional workgroups for CRISP and sickle cell surveillance. It was determined that the Upcoming Grant Opportunities workgroup would be changed to a Sickle Cell Surveillance workgroup. An additional CRISP workgroup was added to the others.

Committee members discussed Sickle Cell Trait testing and the issues and concerns surrounding adult testing. Members also discussed Sickle Cell Surveillance especially in identifying people with sickle cell coming to live in Maryland.

Meeting dates and time were discussed by members. It was suggested by several absent members via email that times would vary to enable participation of those members that are unavailable Wednesday mornings. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 18, 2020 3-5 pm. The location will remain at SCDA, if in-person or virtual. Call-in information will be provided for each meeting.

Public comments from J. Miller and M. Piccardi regarding the Systems Development RFA that is open in eMMa.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.