



State of Illinois
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Illinois Department on Aging
Charles D. Johnson, Director

Older Adult Services Advisory Committee

Nursing Home Conversion Work Group

Date: January 29, 2008
Location: Illinois Health Care Association, Springfield
Attending: Bill Bell, Jan Cichowlas, Rick Dees, Matt Hartman, Petie Hunter, Myrtle Klauer (co-chair), Phyllis Mitzen (co-chair), Sally Petrone, Jason Speaks, Wayne Smallwood, Kevin Taylor, Steve Wolff,
By Phone: Bill Dart, Bonnie Lockhart, Renee ???, Tera Peele

1. Enrique Unanue has retired from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), and representing IDPH at today's meeting were Rick Dees and Bill Bell.
 - Rick Dees is Bureau Chief of Long-Term Care, overseeing the regulations of nursing homes and assisted living. He has been with IDPH for over 20 years.
 - Bill Bell is Deputy Director for Health Care Regulations and Health Care Facilities and has been with IDPH for over 30 years.

In covering Enrique's position on the work group, Rick and Bill are learning about the IDPH's legislative responsibilities under the Older Adult Services Act and will discuss the work that needs to be done with Director Damon T. Arnold and Dave Carvalho, Deputy Director of Policy and Planning.

2. ACTION ITEMS from November 27, 2007: Most items are on today's agenda.

The work group asked what happens to the Determination of Need (DON) scores and information gathered in the Choices for Care Program. Jan Cichowlas stated that DON score information is available on the Department on Aging's CCPIS system for Community Care Program (CCP) clients. She is checking further about DON scores for those that do not receive CCP services (i.e., go directly from a hospital to a nursing home).

3. Status of the Survey

Bill Bell indicated that Dave Carvalho thinks the Health Facilities Planning Board could add our survey to their annual survey.

ACTION ITEM: Bill Bell will check with Bob Greene as to the deadline for returning surveys.