

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services  
**Institutional Review Board Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**June 23, 2015**

**Chicago**

Debra Dyer  
Kay Clark  
Mark Holzberg  
Brooke Taylor

**ON PHONE**

Janet Ahern  
Marilyn Arnold

**EXCUSED**

Paula Jaudes

**CALL TO ORDER**

Debra Dyer called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m. A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Mark Holzberg made a motion to approve the minutes.

Kay Clark seconded the motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**FOLLOW UP**

**Heather Woltman.** *Youth Exiting Foster Care: The Role of Risk and Protective Factors in Predicting their Readiness for the Transition to Adulthood.*

Email correspondence from the researcher was sent to the board for review regarding the researcher's reference to another research proposal from Northwestern University being reviewed and approved by the DCFS IRB. The IRB Coordinator has reviewed the master filing sheet and no reference to this research proposal has been found either by name, researcher or university. Erroneous information was sent by the Private Investigator on the Northwestern contract.

It is suggested that the researcher re-submit the research proposal indicating the data set that she is interested in getting and DCFS may be able to get her the information that she is requested and eliminate any references to the research proposal that was unable to be found.

IRB from University of Ottawa is needed for this new research proposal.

**MOTION:** Mark Holzberg motioned to deny the proposal.

Kay Clark seconded the motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

## **NEW PROPOSALS**

**Tonya Banks.** *Trauma Experiences among African American Adolescents in Child Welfare.*

Researcher was contacted by one of the board members to obtain some more clarity regarding what was being measured/sought/etc.

Hypothesis 1 made sense; however hypothesis 2 was consuming. It sounds like the researcher is attempting to look at changes in scores on the CANS from Time 1 (intake) to Time 2 (2014) to see whether there are changes in trauma severity scores. If there are, then she is looking at three separate areas that can contribute to this.

Researcher works at this agency where she is planning on conducting the research, knows the kids, agency and workers. She has looked at the records already and already 'knows' the results.

Outcome measures and placement disruption – what are the specific outcome measures this researcher is looking for – identify them for the board.

Do African Americans have different trauma scores? Not necessarily.

This research proposal is not comparative. African American experience while in the system.

Who is pulling the data?

**MOTION:** Janet Ahern motioned to tentatively approve the proposal, pending the response from the researcher regarding the question about outcome measures.

Mark Holzberg seconded the motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**Mary Lou Schmidt.** *A Children's Oncology Group Protocol for Collecting and Banking Pediatric Research Specimens including Rare Pediatric Tumors.*

Proposal was tabled, due to Dr. Jaudes being unavailable to comment.

**Mary Lou Schmidt.** *Protocol for the Enrollment on the Official COG Registry, The Childhood Cancer Research Network (CCRN).*

Proposal was tabled, due to Dr. Jaudes being unavailable to comment.

## **OTHER**

**Steve Budde Slides.** Mark will send better version so that board can open and review.

**Nick Mader Paper.** Board had no comments to make regarding the paper. Debra will find out from the Director if he (or a designee) would like to review for further comments.

**Amber Stone Manuscript.** Waiting for Director to provide comments. Debra will find out from the Director if he (or a designee) would like to review for further comments.

Next meeting scheduled for July 28, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 2:39 PM.