

NACCD PUBLIC MEETING
SUMMARY¹

Thursday, February 26, 2015

2:00 pm EST

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CALL TO ORDER, FACIA OVERVIEW, CONFLICT OF INTEREST RULES, AND ROLL CALL

Maxine Kellman, DVM

Alternate Designated Federal Official (DFO) for CAPT Charlotte Spires

Office of Policy and Planning (OPP)

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Dr. Maxine Kellman, Acting Designated Federal Official, called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm Eastern Time. She thanked everyone for joining the call. She reviewed the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), and the Conflict of Interest Rules that NACCD members, as special government employees, must adhere to. Dr. Kellman reminded committee members that an issue may arise that could affect or appear to affect their interests. If this happens the affected member should not participate in the discussion, not make comments, or leave the meeting.

Dr. Kellman noted that the meeting was being conducted via teleconference and webinar. The agenda was located on the NACCD Web site at www.phe.gov/naccd. The public was given the opportunity to submit comments using the NACCDs electronic form, available on the NACCD web site. The following people were present on the call:

¹ A full transcript of these proceedings may be found at <http://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/legal/boards/naccd/meetings/Pages/publicmeeting-260215.aspx>

NACCD Members:

Michael Anderson
David Esquith
Linda MacIntyre
Mary Dianne Murphy
Scott Needle
Georgina Peacock
Mary Riley
Jeffrey Upperman
Anne Zajicek

ASPR Subject Matter Expert:

Daniel Dodgen

ASPR Staff:

Maxine Kellman
Lynn Seel
Justin Willard

Dr. Kellman then turned the meeting over to Chair, Michael Anderson.

Agenda Overview:

Dr. Michael Anderson, Chair
National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters

Dr. Anderson welcomed all and reviewed the agenda noting a few changes to the one posted on the NACCD website. He publicly acknowledged Dr. Steve Krug who recently became Chair of the National Preparedness and Response Science Board (NPRSB), another HHS federal advisory committee.

Task 1 Updates:

Dr. Michael Anderson, Chair
National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters

Task 1 concerns the care of children in an infectious disease surge situation such as a pandemic or Ebola Viral Disease (EVD). Under the leadership of Dr. Jeff Upperman, great work has been done. When Dr. Lurie tasked the NACCD, the nation was in the middle of EVD and not sure how far that would ramp up in the United States. Although there are no cases in the United States now, there remains a need to be vigilant and prepared, and the work of the Task 1 sub-committee remains very important. Dr. Anderson stated that the NACCD would not vote today and that he requested an extension for an additional two months to gather more information and data on the areas under investigation.

Dr. Upperman reiterated that the subcommittee is working very diligently and making progress. He acknowledged LCDR Evelyn Seel at ASPR for her outstanding support of the subcommittee.

Dr. Anderson agreed that the final report will be very robust that a public meeting will be scheduled soon to highlight that report and bring it to a committee vote.

Task 2 Updates:

Dr. Michael Anderson, Chair
National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters

Task 2 relates to a broader array of disaster scenarios and a larger scope of children's health care preparedness. The NACCD assembled a subcommittee late last year and outlined how they plan to approach the questions in Task 2.

Dr. Anderson stated that Task 1 and 2 are related but will produce distinct stand-alone reports. Task 1 is a rapid turnaround request to assess how prepared we are nationally for a potential surge of infectious children this winter and spring. It concerns coalitions, emergency departments, and primary care. Task 2 will synchronize and coordinate with Task 1 but will delve into the issues that impact caring for children in disasters.

CHILD Report Update:

Dan Dodgen, PhD
Office of Policy and Planning
Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response
Department of Health and Human Services

Dr. Anderson started by saying that NACCD colleagues in the federal government have issued a foundational report, called the CHILD Report. He introduced Dan Dodgen to speak about this effort. Dr. Dodgen explained that CHILD stands for Children's HHS Inter-agency Leadership in Disasters. The working group comprised HHS components like CDC, FDA, NIH, SAMHSA, ASPR, and ACF. The final 75- page report has completed the HHS clearance process for public posting. It contains two main sections. The first section addresses three new areas: pregnant, breastfeeding women, and newborns, children at heightened risk with concerns or needs above the needs of all children, and non-government organization (NGO) collaboration.

The second section of the report is an update on accomplishments of recommendations from the previous report in the areas of: mental and behavioral health; medical counter measures; children's physical health, emergency medical services and pediatric transport; and childcare and child welfare.

Dr. Dodgen thanked Captain Mary Riley, member of the NACCD, who was his co-chair of the CHILD Working Group.

NHSS Update:

Dan Dodgen, PhD
Office of Policy and Planning
Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response
Department of Health and Human Services

Dr. Dodgen moved on to describe the NHSS, or the National Health Security Strategy. The NHSS is a strategy and an implementation plan. Both are required by Congress under the ASPR authorizing legislation. The NHSS was submitted to Congress at the

end of 2014. The vision of the NHSS is a nation that is secure and resilient in the face of diverse incidents with health consequences and people in all communities enjoying a high level of security against threats to their health and well-being.

There are five strategic objectives: 1. build and maintain resilient healthy communities; 2. enhance the national capability to produce and effectively use both medical countermeasures and non-pharmaceutical interventions; 3. ensure comprehensive health situational awareness and support decision-making before incidents and during response and recovery operations; 4. enhance the integration and effectiveness of the public health, healthcare, and emergency management systems; and 5. strengthen global health security.

Dr. Dodgen mentioned that the implementation plan serves as a framework for how we as a country are going to accomplish those five strategic objectives. NACCD members and members of the public are needed in collaborations to promote national health security because it is not a federal plan, it is a national plan. The goal is to empower individuals, local communities, regions, and states to work toward health security and preparedness. There are implementation activities that people at all levels can engage in to promote health security. Dr. Dodgen encouraged people to read it at the ASPR website, www.phe.gov . PHE stands for public health emergencies.

Dr. Anderson thanked Dr. Dodgen for both updates and stated that the NACCD is making sure to coordinate with the CHILD report and the NHSS so its recommendations and gap analyses synchronize with what has already been done.

Future NACCD Tasks and Activities:

Dr. Michael Anderson, Chair
National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters

The NACCD is very interested in additional tasks and is looking forward to opportunities soon.

As the NACCD continues to gather information, Dr. Anderson expressed interest in making the NACCD website a repository for pediatric disaster resources.

Public Comments:

Dr. Michael Anderson, Chair
National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters

The NACCD did not receive any comments or questions from the public before this meeting.

Adjourn:

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Dr. Kellman adjourned the meeting at 2:29 pm EST.