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MEETING MINUTES¹

Meeting Date: October 24, 2001
Meeting Time: 11:00 A.M.
Meeting Place: State House, 200 W. Washington St., Room 130
Meeting City: Indianapolis, Indiana
Meeting Number: 3

Members Present: Rep. Charlie Brown, Chairperson; Rep. Peggy Welch; Rep. Vaneta Becker; Sen. Connie Lawson; Sen. Patricia Miller; Sen. Earline Rogers; Greg Wilson, M.D.; Beverly Richards; Michael Urban, M.D.; Beth Compton.

Members Absent: Rep. Timothy Brown; Sen. Allie Craycraft.

Representative Charlie Brown (Chairperson) called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. After an introduction of Commission members it was moved, and seconded that certain additional individuals be added as members of the subcommittees. (Attachment #1) The list of names was approved 11-0.

The Chairman announced that notice of all subcommittee meetings can be found under

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the heading "Calendar of Interim Committee Meetings" on the Access Indiana web-site. (www.in.gov/legislative/interim). The calendar is updated weekly.

The Chairperson then accepted status reports from each subcommittee.

Sam Nussbaum, M.D., Health Care Data & Quality Subcommittee

Dr. Nussbaum stated that the Health Care Data & Quality Subcommittee had met and reviewed its charges and responsibilities. They also developed plans to achieve their goals which include the following:

- Examine health care access, traditional public health matters, immunization rates, and vision and dental services.
- Investigate the various sites of care.
- Identify existing health data-bases that are available to the State.
- Create three work groups to examine specific topics that will then report back to the subcommittee.

The Chairperson commented that the subcommittees will have a natural overlapping of topics that they study but not to shy away from duplicating efforts. Representative Brown indicated that he would like each subcommittee to provide copies of their meeting minutes to the chairperson of the other subcommittees and a copy to Steven Wenning at the Legislative Services Agency for the Commission's files. The Chairperson also asked that each subcommittee schedule some of their meetings outside the central Indiana area.

Kim Dodson, Long Term Care Subcommittee

Ms. Dodson stated that the Long Term Health Care Subcommittee had met to discuss the issues before the Subcommittee and to prepare a work plan. The Subcommittee is receiving written input from members who were not able to attend the initial meeting. The Subcommittee plans to hold monthly meetings in the future.

Beverly Richards, DNS, RN, Health Care Profession Subcommittee

Dr. Richards indicated that the Health Care Profession Subcommittee had not yet met but that a schedule of future meetings was being drafted.

Ernest Klein, Jr., Safety Subcommittee

Mr. Klein stated that the Safety Subcommittee had not yet met, but that the Subcommittee's first meeting was scheduled for November.

The Chairperson stated that he was interested in proposing legislation that would provide funding to the Commission and the subcommittees to pay for expenses that they incur. After Commission discussion, the Commission unanimously endorsed Representative Brown's proposal to seek \$100,000 for the remaining two years of the Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.