CENTRAL ILLINOIS FATALITY REVIEW TEAM

Date of Meeting: June 18, 2020

Sequential #28

Members in attendance: Holly Kozinski, Claudia Kemple, Denise Durrell, Sarah Schryer, Mary Taylor.

Members not in attendance: Joe Vissering, Sharon Aycock, Jodi Hoos, Jamie Harwood, Clint Rezac, Jeannine McAllister, Aimee Shinall, Amy Fox, Brian Fengel, Chelsea Parker, Charles Hanley

Guests in attendance: None

Holly Kozinski, called the meeting to order.

Approval of October meeting minutes, were approved by Holly Kozinski and Denise Durrell

Old Business: Holly welcomed new member Sarah Schryer from Tazewell County States Attorney’s Office who was voted in at the last meeting. Holly also shared with members that she updated her OMA and FOIA officer training.

New Business: Holly asked members how they are doing and if they have made any changes in their services to the community since COVID-19. Holly shared with member APS program changes. Holly shared that at this time the APS department is still receiving new case of abuse, neglect and exploitation and self-neglect. Holly shared that the major change in the APS program is that currently no face to face visits are being made and that all services provided to clients are through a telehealth model. Holly also shared that at this time no cases are being closed until face to face visits resume. Holly shared that due to this current caseloads are increasing. Holly shared that the Illinois Department on Aging does have a draft policy that they are working on to resume face to face visits and invited Claudia Kemple to discuss that policy. Claudia shared that the draft policy resumes face to face visits with clients in a phased in approach. Claudia shared that the clients at the highest risk will be the first to resume receiving face to face visits while client’s at a lower risk will remain getting telehealth calls. Claudia shared that with this new policy Caseworkers will be required to wear PPE (personal protective equipment) and that unannounced visits will no longer be made as all clients receiving a face to face visit will have to be COVID-19 screened by the Caseworker prior to the visit. Claudia shared that all household members will be included in that screening process. Claudia also shared that it is recommended that Caseworkers attempt to have clients meet with them outside and that they practice social distancing while meeting with clients. Claudia shared that
currently this is still a draft policy and that it needs to be vetted by IDPH (Illinois Department of Public Health) and the Govenor’s office. Claudia shared that at this time there is no start date for face to face visits with clients. Holly asked Denise to share how AMT policies have changed if they have at all. Denise shared that some things have changed in the office such as putting up protective dividers but that out in the field they are continuing to work in the same mano as always. Denise shared that worker are protecting themselves by using PPE and at this time no EMT's have come down with COVID-19. Denise did share that there is concern that people are refusing to be taken to the hospital or see physicians at a much greater rate right now due to fears of catching COVID-19 at medical facilities. Mary shared that things at the Peoria County Courthouse are slowly resuming business. Mary shared that for a time the Courthouse was closed but that they courthouse is now slowly re-opening. Mary shared that visitor to the courthouse are required to wear masks and that some courts have re-opened. Sarah shared that the Tazewell County Courthouse has resumed business and that most days the courthouse is full. Sarah stated that visitor to the Tazewell County Courthouse are encouraged to wear face coverings but it is not required. Holly thanked all members for their updates.

Executive Session: In accordance with 5ILCS 120/2C30 Roll call was taken, Denise Durrell made a motion to move into executive session, Claudia Kemple seconded, all members present voted to go into closed session. Closed session recorded and on file.

Holly thanked all members for their participation and their coming to the meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Mary Taylor and Denise Durrell.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Kozinski, Director

Next team meeting: **August 26, 2020 2:30 P.M.** at Center for Prevention of Abuse (possible virtual meeting through web-ex).