

**Date:** March 14, 2023

**Chair:** Garrett Colmorgen, M.D.

**Location:** Hilton Garden Hotel Dover, DE

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

Garrett Colmorgen, MD

David Paul, MD

Margaret Chou, MD

Jessica Alvarez, MHA, BSN, RN,C-EFM

Kathleen McCarthy, Nurse Midwife

Megan McNamara Williams, DNP, FNP-C, FAANP

Marilee Pinkleton, CPM

Ruth Gichuru, DO

**FACILITATOR:**

Mawuna Gardesey

**OTHER STAFF ATTENDANCE:**

Kim Petrella, RN

Khaleel Hussaini PhD.

Vonnetta Graves-Brooks

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| **TOPIC** | **FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS** | **ACTIONS &****FOLLOW-UP** | **STATUS** |
| I. Call to order | The meeting was called to order by Dr. Colmorgen at 3:08p.m.  | None | None |
| II. Introductions |  Participants present introduced themselves. There were 12 participants in attendance. | None | None |
| III. Status of Governor appointments, charge, and mandates | The Governor’s Office continues their review of the applications for appointment. Staff changes have slowed down the process somewhat.The charge of the collaborative as stipulated in Delaware Code as well as the statutory membership was reviewed.  | On-going | Appointments imminent |
| IV. Review of the major achievements of the DPQC as currently constituted | Dr. Khaleel Hussaini reviewed the major achievements of the DPQC as currently constituted**Key Accomplishments:*** Secured CDC grant funds at $287,000 a year for 5 years.
* Hospitals agreed to contribute their data.
* Delaware is one of the very few states in the nation that has close to real-time discharge data for mom’s and infants.
* Data dashboards that members of the DPQC can access to work on quality improvement
* Saw a significant decline in surgical hemorrhage rates, until COVID-19
* Learned a lot of lessons on how to be prepared for another pandemic and how we how we conduct quality improvement activities in a pandemic
* Completed Levels of Care assessment. This initiative with the CDC tells if all the infants in Delaware are being born at an appropriate level of care. We know from evidence that the level of appropriate care reduces the risk of infant morbidity and mortality. One of the most robust accomplishments.

Working with expert, Dr. Huffman on reducing preeclampsia rates using Aspirin.  | None | None |
| V. DPQC Bylaws Introduction | Dr. Garrett Colmorgen led a review of the draft bylaws**.** A few recommendations were made for changes to be incorporated and the revised document presented at the next meeting. The revisions were tin the following sections:Article II, Section I.* 1. Vision
	2. Mission

Article IV, Section I* 1. Roles and Responsibilities

Article IV, Section II2.2 Officers and TermsArticle VI, Section II1.1 Quality Improvement (QI) Initiative Committees | On-going | Recommended revisions completed |
| VI. Recap for Meeting Minutes | There being no further business before the collaborative, the chair adjourned the meeting at 4:23 pm. | None | None |