

**MINUTES of the  
Interagency Pharmaceuticals Purchasing Council**

November 21, 2019

State Capitol, Room 318 Santa Fe, NM 87507

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Ken Ortiz, Director of the Interagency Pharmaceuticals Purchasing Council (IPPC) called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. in Room 318, of the New Mexico State Capitol. A quorum was established with roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Designee, Human Services Department, Kari Armijo

Designee, Children Youth and Families Department, Terry Locke

Secretary, Corrections Department, Alisha Tafoya Lucero

Director, Risk Management Division, General Services Department, Clinton Nicley

Executive Director, Retiree Health Care Authority, David Archuleta

**PHONE**

Designee, Department of Health, Dr. Abinash Achrekar

Designee, Albuquerque Public Schools, Mark Tyndall

Designee, University of New Mexico, Joey Evans

**ABSENT/EXCUSED**

Executive Director, Public School Insurance Authority, Ernestine Chavez

Executive Director, New Mexico Counties, Steve Kopelman

Executive Director, New Mexico Municipal League, William Fulginiti

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Mr. Nicley moved to approve the agenda with a second from Mr. Archuleta. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM November 14, 2019**

Director Ortiz tabled the approval of the minutes until the latter part of the meeting to give IPPC members a chance to review the minutes. Members in attendance were provided hard copies of the minutes and Director Ortiz emailed the minutes to IPPC members attending by phone.

**4. IPPC CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT REPORT by IPPC SUBCOMMITTEE**

Mr. Nicley reported that he had received comments from two IPPC members, Mr. Archuleta and Mr. Evans.

Mr. Evans was concerned the contractor would not be able to meet the eight requirements set forth in the scope of work by January 11, 2020. Mr. Nicley informed the Council the vendor's response stated that the work requirements could be met.

Mr. Archuleta suggested the IPPC prioritize the 13 requirements stated in Senate Bill 131 and extend the January 11<sup>th</sup> due date. He thought the IPPC would not have time before the legislative session to accurately assess and develop consensus regarding specific recommendations from the Consultant that may require legislative action. Mr. Nicley stated the contractor would be available

to address the IPPC with guidance on recommendations before the IPPC would submit its recommendations to the legislature.

Director Ortiz asked Mr. Nicley how long it would take to have an executed contract if the IPPC voted to approve the IPPC Consultant today. Mr. Nicley stated it could take as long as two weeks but would prioritize the execution of this contract.

**MOTION:** Mr. Archuleta moved to approve the IPPC Consultant, Horvath Health Policy, with a second from Mr. Locke. The motion passed by unanimously.

## **5. UPDATE OF PHARMACEUTICAL PURCHASING PROGRAM**

### **NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE**

Mr. Fulgeniti and his delegate making the presentation were absent from the council meeting. New Mexico Municipal League will make its presentation at the next IPPC meeting.

## **6. FORMATION OF IPPC SPECIALTY DRUG SUBCOMMITTEE**

Director Ortiz noted that in the last meeting, a vote on forming a specialty drug subcommittee was tabled to give council members a chance to review the IPPC Consultant Agreement. Some council members thought it would be more beneficial to form a subcommittee after council members have had guidance from the IPPC consultant.

Dr. Achrekar stated that specialty drugs is an important piece of what the IPPC will be working on so he thinks a subcommittee may be unnecessary. He made a motion to table the formation of a specialty drug subcommittee unless the IPPC Consultant recommended the formation of one.

**MOTION:** Dr. Achrekar moved to hold off on forming a specialty drug subcommittee, with a second from Ms. Tafoya Lucero. A vote was not taken as there was more discussion.

Ms. Armijo informed IPPC members that Dr. Scrase agreed that the timing is not right for the formation of this subcommittee. Ms. Armijo said that after discussing this issue with Dr. Scrase, as he said in the last meeting, he could not bring any expertise to this committee, but perhaps someone from his agency has the requisite expertise. Ms. Armijo stated the Human Services Department would be available to offer expertise in the area of specialty drugs and can be available to provide data to or to collaborate with the IPPC Consultant on this issue.

**MOTION:** Director Ortiz asked for a vote on the motion made by Dr. Achrekar and seconded by Ms. Tafoya Lucero. The motion to table the formation of an IPPC specialty drug subcommittee passed unanimously.

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**MOTION:** Mr. Nicley moved to approve the minutes from November 14, 2019 with a second from Mr. Archuleta. The motion passed unanimously.

## **7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Director Ortiz asked members of the public in attendance whether they wished to make any public comments. No one in attendance opted to make a public comment.

## **8. NEXT STEPS FOR IPPC**

Director Ortiz stated that, rather than waiting for the next regularly scheduled IPPC meeting in February, he will be calling a Special Meeting the second week in January 2020 due to Senator

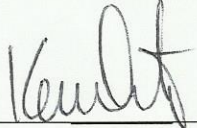
Steinborn's suggestion about informing legislators on the progress of the IPPC before the legislative session convenes. In addition, a white paper and presentation by the IPPC Consultant will be due.

Members will receive an invitation and agenda around mid-December and the meeting notification will be posted on the IPPC website, <https://www.generalservices.state.nm.us/ippc.aspx>.

Director Ortiz asked IPPC members if there were any agenda items they wanted to include for the upcoming meeting. There were no recommendations by council members.

**9. ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** With all business conducted, Mr. Archuleta moved to adjourn at 3:31 p.m. with a second from Mr. Nicley.

  
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Ken Ortiz, Director

6/11/20  
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