



Meeting Minutes

Rare Disease Advisory Council (RDAC) Academic Research Institutions Subcommittee Meeting

Date: Monday, December 19, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM EST

Microsoft Teams Video Conference

Member Name	Member Seat	Present	Absent
Dr. Barry Byrne	A representative from an academic research institution in Florida, which receives grant funding for research regarding rare diseases.	X	
Dr. Divya Patel	A physician who is licensed under Ch. 458 or 459, F.S., practices in this state, and has experience in treating rare diseases.		X
Dr. Mustafa Tekin	A representative from an academic research institution in this state which receives grant funding for research regarding rare diseases.		X
Dr. Rajan Wadhawan	A physician who is licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459 and practicing in this state with experience in treating rare diseases.		X

Guests: Vera Beloshitzkaya (Florida Department of Health)

Call to Order, Member Roll Call– Casey Omeke, Florida Department of Health

The meeting was called to order at 2:08 PM. Role was taken, and a quorum was not established.

Request from the Health Care Providers Subcommittee – Casey Omeke, Florida Department of Health

Casey Omeke informed Subcommittee members of the Health Care Providers Subcommittee’s request to join an upcoming State Agencies Subcommittee meeting to discuss overlapping priorities. Dr. Byrne suggested bringing this request up at the next Subcommittee meeting for members to discuss.

Year 1 Objectives Implementation Plan Updates and Next Steps – Council Members

Council members provided status updates for the action steps on the Recommendations and Objectives they are responsible for.

Public Comment – Casey Omeke, Florida Department of Health

No public comment was provided.

Adjournment – Casey Omeke, Florida Department of Health

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 PM.