



Meeting Minutes

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

Date: Monday, September 26, 2022

Time: 12:00 PM – 1:00 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), Eric Biernacki, Leslie Dughi (Metz, Husband & Daughton, P.A.), Kelly Rogers (Florida Department of Health),

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

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM by Casey Omeke. Roll was taken and a quorum was established.

Overview of Year 1 Objective Implementation Plan Draft – Casey Omeke, Florida Department of Health

An overview of the subcommittee’s Year 1 Objective Implementation Plan Draft was given.

Year 1 Objectives Implementation Plan Development – Council Members

The council members discussed, revised, and created additional action steps required to complete the Year 1 Objectives.

Public Comment – Casey Omeke, Florida Department of Health

No public comment was provided.

Adjournment – Casey Omeke, Florida Department of Health

The meeting adjourned at 1:02 PM.