



Texas Council on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders
August 15, 2012
Via Teleconference Call, Tower 402.12
Texas Department of State Health Services
Austin, Texas 78756

The Texas Council on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders met on Wednesday, August 15, 2012 via teleconference call.

<p><u>Council Members Present</u> Bonnie Curington, Ph.D., DADS Rep. Carolyn Casey Frazier, RN Frank Genco, HHSC Representative Lisa B. Glenn, MD, DADS Rep. Deborah S. Hanna, Chair Rita Hortenstine Winnie Rutledge, DADS Rep. Kate Allen Stukenberg</p> <p><u>Council Members Absent</u> Ronald DeVere, MD Melissa L. Edwards Carlos Escobar, MD The Honorable Clint Hackney, Vice-Chair Grayson R. Hankins Ray Lewis, DO Susan Rountree, MD Robert A. Vogel, MD</p>	<p><u>Staff Members Present</u> Susan Ristine, MS, DSHS</p>
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1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Excuse Absent Members

Debbie Hanna, Chair

Debbie Hanna called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Susan Ristine called roll and quorum was not made. Members and guests were welcomed.

2. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes from September 21, 2011

Debbie Hanna, Chair

Due to lack of quorum, this item was not voted on and was moved to the next Council meeting for approval.

3. Introduction of New Council Members

Debbie Hanna, Chair

Ms. Hanna welcomed new members, Drs. Bonnie Curington and Lisa Glenn, and asked them to introduce themselves. Dr. Glenn has work experience in the private sector in solo private practice as well as 16 years in the Community Health Centers in Austin. Prior to joining DADS as the Clinical Innovation Medical Director, Dr. Glenn was the Medical Director of Central Health, the Travis County Healthcare District. She holds board certifications from the American Board of Family Medicine and the American Board of Quality Assurance and Utilization Review Physicians. She is a member of the Texas Medical Association, Travis County Medical Society, American Academy of Family Physicians and Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

Dr. Curington earned her Masters' degree in Social Work through Baylor University and PhD from the University of North Texas in gerontology. Dr. Curington currently holds a position with the Texas Department of State Health Services in the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Division and drives the mental health crisis programs, psychiatric emergency service centers, peer providers, and older persons division in Texas. Dr. Curington has experience with Adult Protective Services, Long Term Care and Crisis Outreach to the mentally challenged population. Dr. Curington expressed her interest in Alzheimer's disease and aging issues.

Council members welcomed Drs. Curington and Glenn.

5. Update on Joint Study on Alzheimer's Disease

Debbie Hanna, Chair

Debbie Hanna provided an update on the status of the Joint Interim Study on Alzheimer's Disease. She reported that Senator Jane Nelson and Representative John Zerwas are co-chairs of the Committee. Currently, the committee is working to quantify the need for increased Alzheimer's disease resources in Texas. Ms. Hanna reported that she expects the Committee to conclude their work and submit their recommendations late September or October, 2012.

6. Update on State Plan Implementation – Year 2

Susan Ristine

Susan Ristine provided an update on the Disease Management Guidelines and Prevention and Brain Health White Paper. Ms. Ristine reported that the groups have made tremendous progress during the past year and that the volunteers continue to move forward in their work. Ms. Ristine reported that the annual partnership meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 2012, and that more information would be forthcoming once the program budget is finalized.

7. BRFSS Cognitive Impairment Module

Susan Ristine

Ms. Ristine announced that the National Alzheimer's Association has generously agreed to underwrite the costs of adding Cognitive Impairment Module to the 2013 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey. Ms. Ristine explained that this data is extremely important and at current is the only population-based data on Alzheimer's disease and cognitive impairment available. Debbie Hanna added that Texas legislators want Texas population data on Alzheimer's disease, and that the absence of detailed data is problematic for stating Texas' burden, in both paid and unpaid costs.

8. Update on Research Compendium and 2013 Symposium **Debbie Hanna, Chair**

Debbie Hanna reported that the Science goal continues its work on the state plan and that significant progress is being made. Ms. Hanna reported that the Alzheimer's Disease Program has contracted with a vendor to survey the state of collaborative Alzheimer's disease research in Texas - TARCC and non-TARCC, published and non-published – and that the contractor is doing a wonderful job in locating these Texas researchers. The data obtained from this survey will serve as the beginning toward creating the compendium of Alzheimer's disease researchers in Texas.

Once the contractor has completed the work and the contact information is obtained, the Texas Council and its staff member will contact these researchers to formally introduce themselves and their support for promoting collaborative Alzheimer's disease research in Texas. A DSHS/Texas Council on ADRD collaborative research meeting is being considered for late summer or early fall of 2013 so that these researchers can come together in the same room, introduce each other's work, and communicate, gather and collaborate on research projects. Ms. Hanna reported that she will be going to Dallas next month and will be meeting with Dr. Denise Park at UT Dallas, who has graciously offered to host the 2013 conference.

9. Date for Next Council Meeting **Debbie Hanna, Chair**

Ms. Hanna stated that an email is forthcoming with detailed information on the State Plan Partnership Meeting and concurrent Council Meeting to be held in October 2012.

10. Public Comment **Debbie Hanna, Chair**

There was no public comment.

11. Adjourn **Debbie Hanna, Chair**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.