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MEMORANDUM

To: Home Birth Maternity Care Crisis Study Committee

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From: Richard Schultz, Assistant General Counsel

Date: August 1, 2019

Re: Meeting – August 15, 2019

The Home Birth Maternity Care Crisis Study Committee will convene a meeting at **1:00 P.M. CST on Thursday, August 15, 2019, in the James R. Thompson Center, 100 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601 – 9th Floor, Room 9-040, and via video conference at the Springfield office of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, 320 West Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62786 – 3rd Floor, Room 376.** Please notify me at your earliest convenience if you are not able to attend the meeting.

This meeting will be accessible to handicapped individuals in compliance with Executive Order #5 and pertinent state laws upon notification of anticipated attendance. Handicapped persons planning to attend and needing special accommodations should contact me either by telephone or letter, at least five days prior to the meeting date.

HOME BIRTH MATERNITY CARE CRISIS STUDY COMMITTEE AGENDA

August 15, 2019

1:00 P.M.

- I. Roll Call & Introductions
- II. Old Business
 - A. Approval of Minutes
- III. New Business
 - A. Comments from the Chair
 - B. Vote for Vice-Chair
 - C. Witness Testimony
 - 1. Patricia Sherman Pfeiffer, Illinois Friends of Midwives - Expected to discuss the home birth crisis and supply information about state statistics (on births, mortalities, morbidities), access and other matters. Testimony expected to last about 30 minutes.
 - 2. Benjamin Rathert, MD - Expected to discuss rural maternal health. Testimony expected to last about 20 minutes.
 - 3. Isis Rose - Expected to speak about health disparities in maternity care. Testimony expected to last about 15 minutes.
 - 4. Ida Darragh, CPM, IM, Executive Director, North American Registry of Midwives - Expected to discuss details on education, testing, certification, licensing and US Midwifery Education, Regulation & Association. Testimony expected to last about 45 minutes.
 - D. General Discussion
- IV. Adjournment