New Jersey Department of Health
Governor’s Council for Medical Research and Treatment of Autism
Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2014 (ratified)

Council Members Present via teleconference

Elizabeth K. Bell, BS, volunteer and independent contractor with Autism Speaks, Autism Organization Representative

Caroline Eggerding, M.D., Healthcare Organization Representative and Chairperson of the Governor’s Council for Medical Research and Treatment of Autism

Susan P. Evans, Ed.D. Education Program Specialist for Early Intervention Program, Commissioner of Health Appointee

Ketan Kansagra, M.D., FAAP, Children’s Hospital of New Jersey at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, Academic Institution Representative

Absent

B. Madeleine Goldfarb, MA, Founder/Director of the Noah’s Ark Children’s Association, Autism Organization Representative

Gary Weitzen, BA, Executive Director, Parents of Autistic Children (POAC) Autism Services, Organization Representative

NJ Department of Health (DOH) Attendees

Martin T. Zanna M.D., MPH
Acting Executive Director
Governor’s Council for Medical Research and Treatment of Autism

Linda N. Bocclair, M.Ed., MBA
Executive Assistant
Governor’s Council for Medical Research and Treatment of Autism

Daphne Robinson, Ph.D., Consultant
Scientific Planning Consulting
Public Attendees

Audrey Mars, M.D., Hunterdon Medical Center, Regional Autism Center

I. Welcome - Council Chairperson, Dr. Caroline Eggerding called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and welcomed everyone.

II. Public Meetings Act Announcement - Dr. Eggerding read the Public Meetings Act, followed by roll call.

III. NJ ACE 2014 Grant Application

The purpose of this meeting was to vote for grant application CAUT14APL018 that was tabled at the May 19, 2014 meeting. There was no specific recommendation at the May 19 meeting given that review of this application was pending. Dr. Zanna noted that after final review by the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) the application was recommend for approval.

Dr. Eggerding called for a motion.

Dr. Evans moved and seconded by Ms. Bell to approve the recommendation to fund CAUT14APL018.

Discussion: Dr. Zanna clarified a misunderstanding regarding the frequency of ADOS testing.

MOTION to approve the recommendation to fund CAUT14APL018 was passed with all in favor.

IV. Adjournment

Dr. Eggerding asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION to adjourn by Dr. Kansagra and seconded by Ms. bell was approved with all in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.