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NEW JERSEY MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH INNOVATION AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024

10:00AM

Economic Development Authority
36 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

- I. Call to Order
- II. Open Public Meetings Act Statement
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Update from Chair
- V. CEO's Report to Board
- VI. Matters Requiring Board Action
 - a. Approval of Previous Month's Minutes
 - b. Resolution to Approve Board Meeting Schedule
 - c. Resolution of Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Health for the Coordination of New Jersey Doula Learning Collaborative Activities
- VII. Executive Session (If required)
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Other Business
- X. Meeting Adjournment



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Minutes of the Meeting September 25, 2024

Minutes of the meeting of the New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority ("MIHIA") held virtually on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 10:00 AM Eastern Standard Time.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN ATTENDANCE

Shakira Abdul-Ali – Public Member
Sarah Adelman – Governor Representative
Dr. Philip Bonaparte – Public Member
Barbara George Johnson - Public Member
Dr. Tamika Quick (Designee for Dr. Brian Bridges) – Governor Representative
Holly Low – Governor Representative
Andrea Martinez-Mejia - Public Member
Maritza Raimundi-Petroski – Public Member
Dr. Damali Campbell-Oparaji – Public Member
Kaitlan Baston – Governor Representative
Katherine Stoehr- Governor Representative
Tim Sullivan - Governor Representative
Trish Wallace (Designee for Justin Zimmerman) - Governor Representative

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES

Lisa Asare, President & CEO, New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority.
Roza Dabaghyan, Deputy Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Law.
Laura Wilton, Office of the Governor, Authorities Unit.
Catherine Terrero, New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority.

Dr. Brian Bridges joined after the roll call.

Vice Chair Kaitlan Baston presided over the meeting, with Catherine Terrero keeping the minutes.

President & CEO Asare called the meeting to order and announced that MIHIA was in compliance with the provisions of Open Public Meetings Act and the adequate notice of the meeting had been provided in the manner prescribed by law.

President & CEO Asare took roll call and welcomed representatives from the First Lady's Office, Governor's Authorities Unit, Attorney General's Office, and Treasury.

Chair update

Vice Chair Kaitlan Baston addressed the Board and provided a brief update regarding the Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Center (MIHIC) to be built in the city of Trenton. She advised that MIHIA has been working with the architectural firm to obtain community feedback regarding the center's design.

Vice Chair Baston also discussed MIHIA Board committees and spoke of a forthcoming survey soliciting committee interests. She also announced that she and MIHIA's President & CEO, participated in the Maternity Action Plan conference held by the New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute on September 20, 2024.

President & CEO Statement

President & CEO Asare addressed the Board providing an update regarding the MIHIC and advised that the architectural team had an opportunity to hear from the community of Trenton through two community engagement sessions hosted by the Watson Institute at Kean University.

President & CEO Asare also advised that MIHIA is still working with a communications firm to development MIHIA's branding and messaging.

Next, President & CEO Asare introduced the three anchor tenants of the MIHIC: the Trenton Health Team, Capital Health System, and Rutgers School of Nursing overseeing an academic consortium. The three anchor tenants took turns presenting their vision to the Board and provided information on the services to be provided at the MIHIC.

Matters Requiring Board Action

a. Approval of Previous Month's Minutes

Vice Chair Baston requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 28, 2024. Public Member Maritza Raimundi-Petroski made the motion and Public Member Andrea Martinez-Mejia seconded. All members voted in favor. The motion carried.

Other Business

No new business was presented.

Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

Adjournment

Vice Chair Kaitlan Baston requested a motion to adjourn. Public Member Shakira Abdul-Ali made the motion. Public Member Dr. Philip Bonaparte seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

I hereby certify this to be a true and original copy of the September 25, 2024, New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority Board meeting minutes.

Lisa Asare

Lisa Asare,
President and CEO.

**RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY
MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH INNOVATION AUTHORITY
APPROVING THE SCHEDULE OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS DATES
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025**

ADOPTED
December 18, 2024

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Maternal Infant Health Innovation Authority (“MIHIA”) was created pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:18-17 *et seq* (the “Act”) and was created and established in, but not of, the Department of the Treasury and independent of any supervision or control by the principal departments of the Executive Branch of the State Government; and

WHEREAS, MIHIA was created to reduce maternal mortality, morbidity and racial and ethnic disparities in the; and

WHEREAS, MIHIA is charged with establishing and overseeing the New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Center, which shall coordinate with governmental agencies, as well as private organizations, to, among other things: (a) provide perinatal, infant care, related health services and other services to the residents of the City of Trenton; (b) promote equitable maternal and infant health care services; and (c) implement strategies related to health care and social service delivery, perinatal workforce development, community engagement, data collection, research, and analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Act created a governing body consisting of fifteen members, seven of whom shall serve ex officio and eight of whom shall be appointed public members (collectively, the “Board”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article III of the MIHIA bylaws, the Board shall establish a Regular Meeting schedule; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to approve a Regular Meeting Schedule, which has been presented for consideration, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, that,

1. The members of the Board hereby approve the Regular Meeting schedule for Calendar Year 2025, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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2. This resolution shall take effect immediately, but no action authorized herein shall have force and effect until 10 days after a copy of the minutes of the Authority meeting at which this resolution was adopted has been delivered to the Governor for his approval, unless during such 10-day period the Governor shall approve the same, in which case such action shall become effective upon such approval, as provided by the Act.

DATED: December 18, 2024



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Notice of Proposed Meeting Schedule

Calendar Year 2025

Wednesday, January 22, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, February 26, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, March 26, 2025, 10:00 AM (ANNUAL MEETING)

Wednesday, April 23, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, June 25, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, July 23, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, August 27, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, September 24, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, October 22, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, November 19, 2025, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, December 17, 2025, 10:00 AM

**RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY
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AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MATERNAL
AND INFANT HEALTH INNOVATION AUTHORITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
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WHEREAS, New Jersey Department of Health (“Health”) seeks to engage MIHIA for the purpose of coordinating the statewide activities of the NJDLC, as more specifically set forth below; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14-1 *et seq.*, the Parties are permitted to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) as an inter-department governmental agreement; and

WHEREAS, MIHIA is willing to assist Health to provide the coordinating of the statewide activities of the New Jersey Doula Learning Collaborative (“NJDLC”); and

WHEREAS, the Board determined it is in the best interest of the Parties to enter into MOA (attached hereto) with the Health.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, that,

1. The Board authorizes the execution of the attached MOA between MIHIA and Health.

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately, but no action authorized herein shall have force and effect until 10 days, after a copy of the minutes of the Authority meeting at which this resolution was adopted has been delivered to the Governor for his approval, unless during such 10-day period the Governor shall approve the same, in which case such action shall become effective upon such approval, as provided by the Act.

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