

Group: Missouri Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force

Topic: Initial/Organizational Meeting

Date: 10/14/2022

Time: 8:00 AM

Location: Webex (virtual only)

In attendance:

- Mike Kehoe, Lieutenant Governor
- Adam Gresham, Lt. Governor's Office
- Don Mayhew, MO House of Representatives
- Andrea LaBarge, Caregiver and Patient Advocate (Husband diagnosed in 2020)
- Sally Faith, former Mayor of St. Charles, currently diagnosed with early dementia
- Liz McClelland, Co-CEO SeniorAge Area Agency on Aging
- Joy Balls-Berry, Assoc. Professor of Neurology (Increasing healthy equity across the life course) Knight Alzheimer's Research Center at Washington University
- Curtis Schreiber, Neurologist
- Jerry Dowell, Vice President of Public Policy for Alzheimer's Association
- Sarah Lovegreen, Vice President of Programs for Alzheimer's Association
- Catherine Roehl, Alzheimer's Association
- Leslie DeGroat, Department of Mental Health
- Gina Campbell, Department of Social Services
- Mardy Leathers, Director of Workforce Development
- Jake Luebbering, Department of Health and Senior Services/Caregiver
- Mindy Ulstad, Department of Health and Senior Services
- Christina Scott, Department of Health and Senior Services

Meeting conducted by Jerry Dowell

Lt. Governor Kehoe thanked everyone for their commitment and passion to treat and end Alzheimer's and thanked Jerry Dowell for his passion and work for the Alzheimer's Association.

Meeting participants introduced themselves and made opening comments. Work is ongoing to appoint additional members.

Appointed members should have received an oath of office from the Governor's office. A copy of the signed and notarized oath should be sent to the Secretary of State Board and Commissions office.

Timeline of approximately eight weeks to get a draft of the plan completed.

Recommendation to hold meetings once per week through the last week of November, then two or more meetings the first week of December to finalize the plan. The draft must be submitted to the Department of Health and Senior Services, Office of Public Information by December 9th .

There are eight focus areas in legislation:

1. Assess the current and future impact of Alzheimer's disease on residents of the state of Missouri;
2. Examine the existing services and resources addressing the needs of persons with Alzheimer's disease and their families and caregivers;
3. Develop recommendations to respond to the escalating public health crisis regarding Alzheimer's disease;
4. Ensure the inclusion of ethnic and racial populations that have a higher risk for Alzheimer's disease or are least likely to receive care in clinical, research, and service efforts, with the purpose of decreasing health disparities in Alzheimer's disease treatment;
5. Identify opportunities for the state of Missouri to coordinate with federal government entities to integrate and inform the fight against Alzheimer's disease;
6. Provide information and coordination of Alzheimer's disease research and services across all state agencies;
7. Examine dementia-specific training requirements across health care, adult protective services workers, law enforcement, and all other areas in which staff are involved with the delivery of care to those with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias; and
8. Develop strategies to increase the diagnostic rate of Alzheimer's disease in Missouri.

The suggestion is to consolidate the state plan into four goal areas

1. Increase access to care support and treatment
2. Improve quality of care
3. Advance risk reduction, early diagnosis, preventative care
4. Ensure coordinated statewide response to Alzheimer's

Tentative meeting dates and times planned. Presentations and discussions from a variety of sources will be included in these meetings.

- Tuesday, October 18th 12:30 to 2:30 pm
- Thursday, October 27th 12 pm to 2 pm
- Thursday, November 3rd 11 am to 1 pm
- Wednesday, November 9th 10 am – 12 pm
- Tuesday, November 15th 10 am to 12 pm
- Week of November 28- December 2nd (will poll to gather preferred dates and times)
- Week of December 5-9- 2 meetings (will poll to gather preferred dates and times)

A subcommittee including Jerry Dowell, Sarah Lovegreen, and any other task force members who desire to participate will be conducting regional listening sessions and at least one virtual town hall. Possible locations and times include:

- Jefferson City, November 1, 11 am to 1 pm
- Cape Girardeau, November 30th, lunch time
- Springfield, November 9/10
- North St. Louis City (Dr. Joy Balls-Berry may help coordinate)
- Hannibal
- Kansas City
- St. Joseph

Calendar invitations and scheduling polls will be sent out for future meetings as soon as possible.

Closing remarks From Dr. Curt Schrieber

Meeting concluded at approximately 8:50 AM