

# Cook County Safe Disposal of Pharmaceuticals Advisory Committee

Tuesday, July 23, 2019, 10:00 a.m.  
Conference Room of 704 Daley Center, Chicago, Illinois 60602  
Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Peter Fotos, Olga Lyandres, Jessica Schumacher, Comm. Debra Shore, Patrick Flannery and Patricia Horne.

Guests: Mary Rita Luecke (Comm. Suffredin's Office), Binh Doang (Comm. Suffredin's Office), Justin Hart (MWRD), Dean Alonistiotis (MWRD), and Derrick Cabrera (MWRD).

- I. Meeting called to order by Chairman Flannery at 10:15 a.m.
- II. April 23, 2019 Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes approved and filed with the following corrections: Closed captioning to be added to the Mail Back Service instructional video on Sheriff's Prescription Take Back Program web page (Shore); Senior centers and nursing homes should be considered for outreach for Mail Back Service (Shore); a link between the MWRD website and Sheriff's Prescription Drug Take Back website should be made (Horne); outreach to seniors living in isolation should be made by the Sheriff's Prescription Drug Take Back Program (Shore); the Sheriff's Office has programs that serve seniors (Flannery).
- III. Old Business  
FY 2018 Annual Report was approved after questions were answered concerning provision of collection and destruction services.
- IV. New Business  
Horne-New law enforcement agencies and governmental units were added to the Collection Plan both in direct collection and monitoring of their collection programs.  
Shore-Ten of thirty-five PhRMA members have registered with the Producer Registry.  
Luecke-A copy of the Sheriff's Prescription Drug Take Back Program was requested,  
Shore-Involvement with nursing homes including a protocol to handle them as end users, including assisted living programs and hospices.  
Fotos-The survey conducted for PhRMA indicates that there has been an increase in the awareness of prescription drug take back activity in Cook County up from 1 in 5 to 1 in 4.; 48.55 percent of those surveyed found this programing very important. To send out the survey results to the entire committee. To assist with obtaining collection numbers from pharmacies (CVS/Walgreens).  
Alonistiotis-Public/Private partnership with manufacturers and re-packagers recommended.
- V. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Patricia Horne