**DPH PANDAS/PANS Advisory Council  
  
July 13, 2022  
4:00 – 6:00 PM**  
*Please stand by. The meeting will begin shortly.*

**Agenda**

* Welcome: Roll call & vote to approve 5/11/22 minutes
* Vote: Annual Report draft (15-20 minutes)
* Present: Work group reports (10 min to present, 5 Q&A)
  + Treatment
  + Research
  + Diagnosis
  + Education
* Share*:* Council updates (15 minutes)
* Next meeting: Wednesday, September 14, 2022, 4-6 pm
* Vote: Adjourn

**Opening Roll Call & Vote**

* Attendance **roll call**
* **Vote** to approve Meeting Minutes (May 11, 2022)

**Meeting rules**

* Open Meeting Law applies
* Agenda pre-planned
* Council Member attendance taken to establish quorum
* Cameras on during the meetings
* Mute your mic unless you are speaking
* Chat function disabled
* Meeting not recorded
* “Raise your Hand” option to speak

**Statutory Authority**

**Section 26 of Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2020**, or the Health Care Omnibus bill establishes a special advisory council, chaired by the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health, or her designee, to advise the commissioner on research, diagnosis, treatment and education relating to pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute neuropsychiatric syndrome (PANDAS/PANS).

**Aim statement**

The DPH PANDAS/PANS Advisory Council aims to **advise the DPH Commissioner on research, diagnosis, treatment, and education** relating to pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric discovered associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute neuropsychiatric syndrome (**PANDAS/PANS**).

The Advisory Council will **issue a report to the general court annually with recommendations** concerning:

* **Practice guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment** of the disorder and syndrome;
* Development of **screening protocols**;
* **Mechanisms to increase clinical awareness and education** regarding the disorder and syndrome among physicians, including pediatricians, school-based health centers and providers of mental health services;
* **Outreach to educators and parents to increase awareness** of the disorder and syndrome; and
* **Development of a network of volunteer experts** on the diagnosis and treatment of the disorder and syndrome. (From Section 26 of Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2020).

**2022 Bi-Monthly Meeting Schedule**This is a chart with the 6 meeting dates for 2022 Bi-Monthly Schedule: January 12, March 9, May 11, July 13, September 14, November 9

**Vote on Annual Report Draft (15-20 minutes)**

* Final thoughts and discussion of conclusion (10 mins)
* Vote
* Next steps

**Work Group Reporting Guidelines**

* **High level reports** from each work group reporter
* Timing: ***10 min + 5 Q&A***
* Share:
  + Each group’s **process**
  + General **topics** team discussed
  + Each team’s **plans** moving forward
* No need to vote on content until Council is ready to do so.

**Work Group Reports (10 min share & 5 Q&A)**

* **Treatment**
  + Sheilah Gauch, Reporter; Melissa Glynn-Hyman, Facilitator
* **Research**
  + Kyle Williams, Reporter; Mark Pasternack, Facilitator
* **Diagnosis**
  + John Gaitanis, Reporter; Sylvia Fogel, Facilitator
* **Education**
  + Lisa Grisolia, Reporter; Lisa Grisolia, Facilitator

**Possible timeline\***This is a chart outlining the timeline: Set baseline (9/14), Gap analysis (goal 11/9), SWOT (date TBD), Vote to finalize (early 2023, date TBD)  
  
**Council Updates**

* + PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day at the State House, October 8, 2022
  + Possible P/P Advisory Council Celebration Activities
  + Other Council updates
* Next Steps
* Fourth bi-monthly meeting for 2022
  + **Wednesday, September 14, 2022, 4-6 PM**
  + Future meetings via WebEx Events
  + If you need help, please email Betsy Day in advance who will find assistance

**Agenda for next time:**

* + **Final baseline report outs** from work groups (*before moving to gap analyses*)
  + **Schedule** CY23 meetings
  + Possible future meeting **agenda items** for Council consideration
  + Anything else?

**Motion to Adjourn**

**Thank You!**