

State of Connecticut
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
CVH WHITING TASK FORCE
Meeting Summary
02/26/2021

Linda Schwartz convened the meeting and stated that the task force will continue discussion on the survey and CVH and Whiting oversight committee.

Nancy Alisberg moved to add a discussion on the documents provided by Lori Hauser to the agenda. There were no objections.

Linda Schwartz introduced Dr. Sarah Wakai from University of Connecticut Health Center.

Dr. Sarah Wakai shared information on the survey. She went over the cover letter and content of the survey.

The task force discussed with Dr. Sarah Wakai updates of the survey and changes that would be applied to it in order for it to be finalized. There were questions of the survey that were discussed and updated. The task force discussed what to do with the results of the survey and what impact it will have on future decisions and discussions. The task force requested to have a final look at the survey before it goes live, and Dr. Sarah Wakai agreed to send it digitally.

Lori Hauser asked if there could be a pilot of the survey to make sure the functionality and everything of it was straightforward. Dr. Sarah Wakai agreed that there will be individuals who would take the survey beforehand. Lori Hauser mentioned that a group of recent retirees might be a good pilot group.

John Rodis asked on average how long the survey would take to complete. Dr. Sarah Wakai responded that SurveyMonkey estimated that the survey would take participants 13 minutes.

Lori Hauser and Linda Schwartz suggested that Mike Lawlor be the main point person from the task force for the survey if individuals had any questions or comments.

Discussion continued on to the CVH and Whiting oversight committee. The task force clarified what the difference between the oversight committee and another group that can be formed with large stakeholders and agencies. Paul Acker mentioned that the legislature needs to be involved in a group with the agencies involved. Linda Schwartz suggested to make a recommendation to the governor on creating a group with all the agencies involved. Nancy Lisberg recommended that the group be considered by the legislature and not the governor.

Discussion continued about the role and authority of the inspector general and oversight committee. Lori Hauser gave an explanation of how she would see the process with the inspector general and oversight committee. In addition, the role of a commissioner in relation to the committee was discussed.

The added item to the agenda will be discussed during the next meeting.