

# ICRN Monthly Meeting Agenda and Minutes – January 25, 2023

**Location:** Zoom Conference **Time:** 1 to 2 pm

**Attendees:** Raj S., Chrishun B., Susan F., Tarisha W., Elaine J., Darby M., Jeffery B., Shanna S., Danielle D., David O., Amelia G., Jessica L.,

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**\*\*Welcome new members: Danielle D. (Advocate Health Care); Amelia G. (Alzheimer' Association); and Shanna S. (IDPH)**

## 1. DEMENTIA FRIENDLY ILLINOIS

### Susan F. (RUSH)

#### Dementia Friendly Update:

- 25 communities
- Continue monthly meeting and sub-committee meetings

### Tarisha W. (RUSH)

#### Chicagoland:

- Pilsen/Little Village task force is working on DF application and applied for DF funding.
- West Pullman task force is working on DF application and applied for DF funding.
- Englewood still working on building DF taskforce

#### Area 5 – East Central

- Decatur recognized as DF community
- Beginning work on Moultrie County

#### Area 3 - Western Illinois

- Princeton working on application

#### Area 4 – Central Illinois

- Washington in Tazewell County is working on application

### Jeff B. (NWILAAA)

- Working with DeKalb County to complete the DF application.

## **2. DEMENTIA FRIENDS ILLINOIS**

### **Susan F. (RUSH)**

- 8,766 Total Dementia Friends
- 6,823 – From in-person talks
- 1,943 – From online sign-ups
- 188 people who have become a Dementia Champion
- Champion training held on Friday, Jan. 27 at 10:00

**Raj S. – (RUSH)** - ICRN should continue to encourage community leaders to train more community members to become Dementia Champions.

**Amelia S. (Alzheimer's Association)** - (Inquired if the ICRN has approached Health Promotores)

"Health Promotores" is a title, which is given to someone who shares information about public health. These individuals are usually in Spanish-speaking communities. The Alzheimer's Association we will be working towards developing a training for Community Educators on Alzheimer's Awareness programming in July.

- Amelia has started outreach connecting with different organizations that have Health Promotores like Enlace, LLAMDA, IDPH, Unidos Latinos.
- She is still researching more to invite to be a part of the training.
- They are working on developing and designing the training in Spanish.
- Would like to connect with the ICRN on how we can collaborate when we are further along with the development.

## **3. ILLINOIS HRSA GWEP/ADRD**

## **4. DEMENTIA CAPABLE EFFORTS (IDOA)**

## 5. ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

### Jessica L. (IDPH)

- New Alzheimer's State Plan & Annual Dementia Capability Report will be published on the IDPH Alzheimer's page within the next 1-2 weeks: <https://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/alzheimers.html>
- The Brain Trust Project (IL Physician Early Detection Training--podcast, webinar, toolkit): <https://thebraintrustproject.com/>
- David & Jessica presented at the Illinois Family Caregiver Coalition, attending regularly to keep voice of dementia caregivers at the table.
- IDPH is applying to BOLD Public Health Programs to Address Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias, will be reaching out to partners.

### David O. (Alzheimer's Association)

Alzheimer's Association 2023 Illinois Policy Priorities – which include:

- Home and community-based service alignment
- Equitable access to diagnosis and care planning
- Alzheimer' public awareness campaign
- Basic dementia training for both public and private guardians
- Support for dementia caregivers

(See attached document for more details)

## 6. Other News/Updates:

### Raj S.

- Stay tuned for updates to ICRN website, which will include a new message video from Dr. Shah
- NowPow contract is concluding in April 2023. Looking at other resources, we can possibly put in its place as a search engine. Chicago 211 is the front-runner.
- Looking at making Dementia Friendly section more prevalent on the ICRN's homepage – as it is one of the most visited sections on the website.
- New website may include short videos of people in the community discussing their experiences with dementia. These will most likely be done in the form of interviews conducted by Rush practicum students.

**Next Meeting Wednesday, February 22, 2023**