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**Subject:** Re: IDPH Preparedness Summit Ethics review

Hi Lauren,

Writing to report that myself, Faye, Rachel, and Ed travelled to the IDPH Preparedness Summit from 5/5-5/8 (dates vary per traveler).

We did not end up accepting the compensated one night at the hotel room offered to conference speakers due to the inability to be granted the GSA rate consistent with City travel policy. Our respective grants covered the cost of lodging, travel expenses, and food. Waived registration fees were accepted.

No CDPH team members accepted any honoraria, nor 'swag' costing more than \$50

Thank you!

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**Subject:** IDPH Preparedness Summit Ethics review

Good afternoon,

I am writing to gain approval from Chicago Ethics for CDPH employee participation in a state conference.

The Illinois Department of Public Health is hosting the IDPH Preparedness Summit in Normal IL on May 6-8. Four CDPH emergency preparedness employees, myself (Molly Gabaldo), Rachel Beham, Edward McCarthy and Faye Thanasis have been accepted as speakers during the conference.

Speakers are offered no cost registration for the conference (\$150 value), and compensation for one night at the conference hotel. All other costs will be covered as outlined the city travel policy and covered by our respective grants.

We are seeking approval for acceptance of this conference compensation. Let us know if you have any questions!

Best,

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