

Cardiac Task Force Meeting

Wednesday January 8, 2020

EPR Building, Bismarck

Attending: Sarah Miller, Brandi Ellison, Joan Reis, Mindy Cook, Christine Brondyk, Kerry Krikava, Dr. Jeff Sather, Erica Erck, Chris Price and Linda Zahn. **On the Phone:** Kahlah Erickson, Jayme Meier, Jessi Nicola.

Approval of Minutes: **Joan made motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting and Mindy seconded. Minutes approved.**

Update from Chris Price on Department of Health

- There was a delay in filling the position of Cardiac/Stroke coordinator. Very happy to have Christine Brondyk in the position and looking forward to moving ahead.
- The EPR section has been merged with another section in the Department of Health but the Cardiac and Stroke task forces will remain here with EPR. The new section name will be called Health Resources and Response.
- Yolanda Karas is an EMS program representative and will provide support to all parts of the EMS division. She is currently working on the grant application with Helmsley trust to place AED's in Law enforcement vehicles in the state and will also include training. Hopefully about 1800 AED's.
- Reminder to Hospitals regarding the patient tracker that is set up with ESO.

EMS Advisory Council - Chris reported for Curt Halmrast

- Working with Ambulance service data system. Down to just one ambulance that isn't on board but before the next task force meeting everyone should be on board. It is a small amount of data that we are not capturing right now.
- In August ND became adopters of the Replica legislation which put us in a compact and that will help with background checks for EMS personnel.
- The EMS association just completed their vision 2025 which is designed to see what EMS will be needing to do in the next 5 years.
- EMS Assn, Dept of Health and the Center for Rural Health have been awarded a federal grant to develop EMS Quality measures. One of 4 states to receive this. Will be looking to this task force for ideas for reasonable performance improvement measures in cardiac for rural EMS providers.

Cardiac Ready Community Update

- Cardiac Ready Campus application was received from UND for designation. Waiting on endorsement from the Cardiac Ready advisory committee. Will use them as a model for the future designations. They were short quite a bit of money for AED's and they were able to put it into their budget so that every building and response vehicle on campus has an AED.
- Just received an application from Metro Area Ambulance that is under review. Some others are pending but just needed more information from them.

Cardiac Designation discussion/ update

- Century Code 23-47-02 Review
 - The Health department should establish and maintain an emergency comprehensive cardiovascular medical system for the state.
 - Tertiary hospitals using ACC but not all are using the same data collection
 - Mission Plan. Christine read this. The guidelines from 2017 are up to date but should be reviewed by this task force.
 - Cardiac registries: two that are being used but they don't report back to the state right now.
 - Key Metrics
 - STEMI only - change statin therapy to high intensity statin
 - Put in the last 6
 - STEMI /NSTEMI – the rest can be put in this
 - B- Prehospital EMS
 - Trinity and Fargo send feedback form to EMS service and CAH if needed for every STEMI.
 - C – Hospitals standards. If we don't like the things that are in code or the terminology, we would have to approach the legislature to change it in the next session. If we do change the language, we would need to find a sponsor to approach the legislation. We could recommend that it says language is subject to change by the EMS Division as standards change, keep it generic. May have to decide what to focus on if we do make changes. Keep CAH's in mind, what is best for them.
 - D- Need to decide which registry to get behind and how they will report back to state. Keep the cost in mind. Time sensitive: Division to work on the budget.
- Abstracts discussions
 - Electronic Data Collection. Looking into Hypothermia, Risk Stratification scores, High Intensity Statins, added P2Y and other things. Removed smoking cessation.
 - Establish someone from ACC to have conversation with. Mindy will get a presentation on state reporting possibilities for the next meeting.
- Priorities for next meeting
 - Amending the Century Code language (make it more generic for changes)
 - Cardiac Registry research - budget numbers
 - Update System of Care Plan.
 - Can set up a meeting before the next task force meeting to work on some of these.

AHA Update - Mindy (Power point emailed to group)

- Ambulatory Care Program – deals with hypertension, cholesterol and diabetes.
 - Target BP aimed at helping facilities diagnose and manage their patients.
 - Check. Change. Control cholesterol program to improve identification and management of their cholesterol. Clinical resources available. Aligned with 2017 Cholesterol guidelines.
 - Know Diabetes by Heart initiative to help reduce cardiovascular deaths, heart attacks and strokes for people with type 2 diabetes.

- **Conference evaluation**
 - Good reviews on speakers and really enjoyed the SIM MD sessions.
 - Would like to learn more about starting Cardiac Ready Community.
 - Would like more discussion on ECG training.
 - Story boards were great.
 - Recognition criteria
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 - ACC-share next meeting aware of performance metrics
 - AHA-STEMI-Goal: ECG within 10 minutes of arrival not going away.
- **Minnesota Cardiovascular Symposium**
 - March 26, 2020 at Grand View Lodge, Nisswa MN.
 - Mindy will send out the agenda
- **GWTG**
 - Feedback report
 - Opportunities hospital vs EMS feedback
- **Public Reporting Measures**
 - Annual public reporting, CAD metrics reported for receiving and referring, can only sign up one time per year, who in area is public reporting, data transparency, benefit own program, certification bodies-how sharing publicly
 - Opt-in deadline is December 9th. Great way to share data.
- **EMS Recognition Criteria**
 - Last year 3 ND EMS agencies received recognition
 - Goal is 75% or greater on all measures
 - Free award opportunity
- **National Survey Request**
 - Like to hear feedback. The link is live.
 - Finishing up a survey with Helmsley Charitable Trust. Will be sent to some task force members. Have programs sustained? Survey before and after, same people in role.
- **Advocacy Policy**
 - Tobacco Policy, legal age. Nationally supporting tobacco sale age from 18 to 21.
 - Working on Vaping research projects. 20 million in grants to research effects of vaping. Case studies are scary. Initiative: END vaping

Next meeting will be April 8 at Essentia Fargo

