



IDPH Poison Advisory Committee Minutes

| IDPH Poison Advisory Committee Meeting | | MEETING DATE/LOCATION: May 30, 2014 MCHC on-site and IDPH offices Springfield - Teleconference |
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| Facilitator: | Recorder: | |
| ATTENDEES: Jack Fleeharty, Mike Short, Mike Wahl, John Ortinau, Karen Hughes, Steve Aks, Jerry Leikin | | |
| EXCUSED: John Graneto | | |
| GUESTS: Trish Anen, Sara Calder, Gail Moran, Carol DesLauriers, Dennis O'Sullivan (phone) | | |
| AGENDA/ TOPIC | DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS | CONCLUSION / ACTIONS (Who/What/When) |
| Call To Order & Approval of Minutes | The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am. Steve Aks gave recognition of to MCHC/IPC staff for their efforts to working to secure sustainable funding. The minutes of the October 2013 meeting were reviewed and approved. | |
| IPC Funding | Trish Anen, Sarah Calder, Dennis O'Sullivan and Mike Wahl provided a summary of new 4 year funding for the IPC. The funding will be for \$2,000,000 per year through a Medicaid process where a hospital in DuPage County will provide Medicaid funding to the IPC in quarterly payments for the next four years. The IPC will no longer be receiving general revenue funds during the time period. Trish Anen thanked the committee for their support during the legislative process to obtain sustainable funding for the IPC. | |
| Emergency Call Center and Information Report | A summary of call activity for the 6 month period of October 2013 thru March 2014 was reviewed. Total Call volume was down slightly, however calls from hospitals continued to increase. An overview of the "My Child Ate" (MCA) Project was provided. The project provides non-toxic exposure information on common pediatric ingestions and for the time period averaged 6,000 to 7,000 unique visits per month, about half from mobile search, 15% of visits from Illinois. This extrapolates to the equivalent of 1,000 calls per month before the advent mobile internet search. | |



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| | <p>A discussion of future projects to expand off of the MCA to be investigated in 2015 included Text and/or Chat from the mobile platform with a direct connection to the poison center.</p> <p>It was suggested to expand other methods of communication to hospitals and other healthcare providers and not just the general public. Recommendations provided could then be cut and pasted into the EMR and follow the patient through the inpatient stay.</p> | |
| <p>Budget Update</p> | <p>The 2012 through 2014 budget (2014 budget vs. Forecast) was provided. There was a general discussion on indirect costs and plans for increased staffing with the increased funding.</p> <p>It was noted that the discussion on indirect costs has been an ongoing discussion for several years and the request was made that at future meetings MCHC provide the committee with a budget spreadsheet with the breakdown of indirect costs.</p> <p>Committee members asked for an overview of plans on how to allocate the increased funding and if there would be a return of call center staffing to previous levels. It was noted that the increased funding had just been passed by the house and senate a day earlier, so definitive plans had not yet been made or approved. There was a request made to report on the budget at the next meeting with a report on spending plans. It was noted a draft, but not final budget plan, for 2015 may be available at the fall meeting.</p> | <p>Discuss with MCHC accounting for provision of budget template with breakdown of indirect costs at the next meeting.</p> <p>Provide staffing changes made with increased state funding.</p> <p>Provide updates on call center quality metrics at the fall meeting.</p> |
| <p>Overview of IPC Funding Efforts</p> | <p>A discussion of the outcomes of the partnership, media and social media strategies were discussed. Over 9,000 email messages sent to Legislators from January through May. Over 450 phone calls made to legislators through a social media web based program. Over 40 media interviews and mentions on the IPC funding, most in the March – May time period.</p> <p>It was noted that the EMS community was a strong supporter of IPC funding.</p> | |
| <p>Old and Other Business</p> | <p>Vacancies: EM physician, EMS coordinator, IDPA representative, Hospital Administrator. Mike Wahl noted that he had reached out to the Chairs at the Peoria and SIU EM residencies for recommendations. Dr. Ortinau stated he would reiterate the request at the ICEP board meeting on 6-2. Jack Fleeharty stated that he could work with IDPH EMS list serve and send out a request for service on the committee. Jack Fleeharty stated he could contact someone at IDPA for a representative. It was also discussed that in the contract process with IDPA, there might be the opportunity to find a representative in order to comply with the Poison Control Act. The hospital Administrator is problematic as CEO do not want to attend. It was suggested to look at the definition of a hospital administrator to see what other titles can apply for this</p> | <p>M. Wahl to reach out to John Hafner (Peoria) and David Griffen (SIU in Springfield for EM physician recommendations. John Ortinau to discuss at ICEP board meeting.</p> <p>J. Fleeharty to send out request to central and southern IL EMS coordinators for possible appointment to committee</p> |



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| | <p>The possible need to update the Poison Control Act and rules may need to be undertaken by the committee. A discussion ensued on steps and it was agreed that the links to the act along with current poison center accreditation criteria would be sent to all committee members for review and comment back to the board by July 15. The current act was based off of the national criteria approved in 1998 and the criteria have changed twice since 1998. The chairman asked for a subcommittee to review the comments: the participants of the subcommittee will be Steve Aks, Mike Wahl and Jack Fleeaharty.</p> | <p>IDPA representative: J. Fleeaharty and MCHC to investigate</p> <p>Hospital Administrator: Find definition and regroup at next meeting</p> <p>Send out links of Poison Control Act to committee members for review.</p> <p>Send out copy of latest national poison center accreditation criteria to committee members</p> <p>Formation of subcommittee to review the comments and need to possibly update current Act and Rules</p> |
| Next Meeting | November 7 th , 2014 | |
| Adjournment | 12 pm | |