

KYEMSC Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2012/ 3:00 pm/ KBEMS Offices, Versailles, KY

Type of Meeting: Regular, Scheduled

Facilitator and Recorder: Dr. Fallat and Morgan Scaggs

Core Members Present:

Morgan Scaggs, Melanie Tyner-Wilson, Dr. Pollack, Dr. Day, Denise Gupton

Ex-Officio Present: Marsh Fronz

Members via Audio only: Dr. Fallat, Janice Bickett, Julia Costich

Topic: Call to Order, Roll call, Quorum

Discussion:

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm, roll call was completed, and quorum was met.

Action item: Minutes from August 2nd, 2012 were approved.

Minutes from October 24th, 2012 acknowledged. (Quorum was not met and general discussion was held. A summary of this discussion was distributed for informational purposes and will be posted.

Project Update from Morgan Scaggs:

Grant application for 013-2017: Submitted but we have not received any specific communication yet.

Hospital Equipment Funding:

Originally \$50000 earmarked, over \$39000 issued, \$4000 pending with \$6000 remaining. Morgan will contact additional facilities to wrap up by the end of the grant cycle.

Manuscript: No word yet from Pediatric Emergency Care regarding submission.

ENPC: Classes in progress and will continue. Funds have changed hands and requirements are listed in the MOU to account for those funds at the conclusion of the project. We will have to report on this project, but as the money has changed hands we should be able to continue and

complete the courses without difficulty. We will seek guidance from Jocelyn on any required documentation. We will specifically request from ENA the numbers of nurses trained and location of their hospital of primary employment.

Dr. Pollack and Dr. Fallat recommend Owensboro as a good target for this training. (Current ENPC instructors located in Louisville, Lexington, and Hopkinsville.) Goal to train new instructors as part of this project and UK has an instructor course scheduled for July 25th which would be a good end date for the completion of this project.

Discussions with Janice Bickett about pediatric trauma course, developed by Dr. David Foley at Kosair, going "on the road". There is a possibility for a cooperative arrangement between UK and Kosair/UofL. Dr. Day has had discussions with Dr. Foley regarding same.

National Pediatric Readiness Survey

Copy of ENA Newsletter and 1-page FAQ sheet sent out by email prior to the meeting. Take advantage of any opportunity to "prime" facilities/ED managers for this project. NEDARC and NRC have asked for confirmation of hospital contact list and the identified individual. Contact list from prior survey project has been a great start.

Kentucky window to participate will be February to April of 2013. Initial information push will go out to the Hospital CEO, the Physician Lead for the ED and the Nursing Lead for the ED. The second wave will be a direct invitation to the Nurse Manager to complete the assessment. There will be follow-up communication as needed to encourage participation and hopefully assist with an 80% response rate. All individual responses will be secure and information will not be released except in aggregate.

Dr. Fallat - This committee spent some time 2 years ago to develop model transfer protocols and agreements. We should consider revisiting these and sending them out again. We may be able to utilize the transport teams at the Level 1 facilities to evaluate the current status of various hospitals and as a mechanism to get those out as needed and encourage the implementation. Also work with TN, OH, and WV border children's hospitals to address this issue with border facilities. Dr. Fallat will send the model documents to the group.

Performance Measure Data Collection

Hospital data collection will be part of the national project this year. EMS data collection will be completed separately. KBEMS is working on strengthening our data collection regulations and this may help us with this process in future years. EMS data collection window will be in October-December 2013.

Legislative

Dr. Pollack – Questions about a new Booster Bill in the Transportation Cabinet that would lead to compliance with the national recommendations. Changes in the Cabinet may or may not impact their decision to move forward with this Bill.

Dr. Pollack and Melanie Tyner-Wilson were invited to participate on a work-group with Prevent Child Abuse KY to draft legislation to take the place of the Governor's proclamation that formed a Child Fatality and Near-Fatality Review for known abuse cases. That proclamation will expire at the end of the year and legislation must be introduced to continue the process. Many participants and differing viewpoints but making an attempt to find a common view and limit legislation to a single multi-disciplinary initiative....meeting again in January.

Dr. Pollack - Julian Tackett mentioned an attempt to clean-up small issues in the concussion legislation.

Immunizations

Is there a way for EMSC and/or KBEMS to encourage healthcare providers to receive immunizations specifically for influenza and pertussis? We will explore options, both immediate and longer term, to spread the word.

We can send out the CDC 2011 Immunization of Health-Care Personnel to EMS agency Directors. Dr. Pollack suggested speaking to Dr. Humbaugh at the state health department about working with area health departments to offer vaccinations on site and free of charge.

Targeted Issues Grant

This is a separate grant from the State-Partnership Grant. It is not something that Morgan is directly involved in. Dr. Julia Martin is working with a group dealing with child abuse education that is interested in seeing if this is a suitable grant opportunity for their project.

Dr. Fallat has a project she is working separately with another team, related to Prehospital Bereavement Training or Education.

KYEMSC Budget

We are on track with this year's budget. We do need information from Dr. Herr for the abuse project so we can spend the budgeted funds. Also, we are considering spending small amount of remaining funds on educational materials, medical equipment or supplies for ambulances, or additional Broselow tapes. If anyone has ideas, please let us know.

Transfer protocols and agreements

Dr. Fallat sending out the current version, updated in 2010, for everyone to review. Put on next agenda and discuss any needed edits prior to distribution.

General

- Discussion regarding Air Ambulance transport of pediatric patients and equipment recommendations.
- Issues regarding open records and quality assessment projects.
- Utilizing information from our surveys and the NPRP to develop a true pediatric system of care in KY.
- KCTCS goes into Institutional Closing for 2 weeks over the holidays. Morgan will be back in the office January 7th.

***The next meeting of the KyEMSC Advisory Committee is scheduled for February 7th, at 3:00 pm. in Versailles.