



Mile-High Regional Emergency Medical and Trauma Advisory Council (RETAC)

**Meeting Minutes
Englewood Community Center
1000 Englewood Parkway**

March 20, 2008

Members Present:

Adams County- Dave Baldwin, Heather McDermott Dr. Thomas Paluska,
Arapahoe County- Steve Green, Dr. Mark Kozlowski
Broomfield County- Ross Riley, Dr. Charles Mains
Denver County- Dr. Christopher Colwell
Douglas County- Jackie Fitch, Rich Martin, Dr. Burt Katubig
Elbert County- Glen Ohrns

Members Absent:

Arapahoe County- Will Wagon
Broomfield County- John Pickle
Denver County- Justin DeMello, Dr. Kathryn Beauchamp
Elbert County- Dian Bowers, Dr. Joan Bothner

Minutes Prepared by:

Shirley Terry, Mile-High RETAC Coordinator

Quorum Established:

Yes

Call Meeting to Order/Introductions:

Dr. Charles Mains called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Meeting minutes from January 17, 2008 were accepted with the change that the Conflict of Interest Forms were handed out at the January meeting.

Presentations

Systolic BP Study- Skip Tinnell

Skip presented some preliminary data on the 2006 systolic blood pressure study. The group of coordinators will start to meet again to conduct some edit checks on the 2007 data to assure accuracy. Skip will be sending out some edit reports to all the hospitals prior to this meeting. It was requested to have some handouts of the data for people to review.

DNC Update-Dr. Christopher Colwell

Justin announced his resignation recently. Denver has hired a contract person from LA to conduct the DNC planning efforts.

Communication Survey is being sent to all hospitals to complete to enable them to update the contact lists for all hospitals. Scott Bookman has provided the hospital planning group with a draft of a Medical Branch: Hospital Group Communications Plan and a draft concept of operations plan.

Coordinators Report- Shirley Terry

Council Membership

William Wagon has accepted a promotion within Health One and is moving to Las Vegas. Many council members continue to have outdated terms.

Arapahoe- Dr. Mark Kozlowski- February 13, 2007

Broomfield-John Pickle- January 1, 2008

Denver- Justin DeMello- December 31, 2007

Dr. Kathryn Beauchamp-December 31, 2007

Douglas- Dr, Burt Katubig- January 30, 2007

Jackie Fitch- January 30, 2008

Elbert- Glen Ohrns- January 31, 2008

Dian Bowers- January 31, 2008

Ambulance Inspection Grants

Elbert Fire, North Central and Rattlesnake have requested ambulance funding. The applications are the same as last year. Approved.

EMS Data Conference

This will be held May 22-23, 2008 in Longmont.

Elbert County Annual Conference

Requested \$600 for this annual conference. Approved

Standing Committee Reports:

Destination Committee- Dr. Christopher Colwell

Committee reviewed some systolic blood pressure data and decided that it was time to re-organize the trauma coordinator and registrar meeting to conduct some edits checks on abstracting to assure that the data collection is consistent among all the hospitals.

Needs Assessment Committee- Dr. Mains

The committee identified some issues to be considered in the needs assessment study. These were split by hospital and ED issues. The group would like to obtain a copy of the system evaluation that ACS recently conducted in Arizona.

Cache Committee

Denver Health recently conducted an inventory of their caches and packed a trailer with the supplies. Missing and outdated supplies have been identified by county. Recently a grant was submitted for homeland security funds to obtain these needed supplies which also included additional supplies such as OB kits.

C-DOT Grant- Teen Seat Belt Use

Marcus Houston presented the MHRETAC Teen Seat Belt Project at the Western Trauma Association Meeting with Dr. Steve Moulton in attendance. The response was very positive.

Other Reports:

State Update- Randy Kuykendall and Celeste White

SEMTAC is continuing to work on developing some strategic goals. Each RETAC is to review and develop some goals for the RETAC Committee of SEMTAC. MHRETAC will address these next month.

North Central Region- Dr. Charles Mains

The grants were submitted and will be reviewed, scored and prioritized tomorrow.

UASI- Shirley Terry

NCR and UASI will both receive the grants and will determine who will fund what grants. This determination will be made by the Grants Committee of which the Coordinator is a member representing the MHRETAC.

MMRS

The goal for MMRS funding for this year is pre-hospital treatment and triage.

SAHAC- Shirley Terry

SAHAC has identified as executive committee.

Unfinished Business:**501c3 Updated/IGA**

The following counties have signed IGA's.

Denver- signing by end of the month

Adams- signed

Elbert- signed

New Business:**Denver Cardiac Study- Dr. Christopher Colwell**

Dr. Colwell discussed the Denver Cardiac Study that was presented at the Denver Metro Physician Group. Data was compared with New York and other cities which indicated that Denver is doing better than the other cities. There were 6 hospital systems and 4 people collecting data in this project.

SEMTAC- Transportation Scope of Work

MHRETAC has been asked to pass through funding for the SEMTAC Transportation Committee. The total amount is \$12,000.

TCPC Governor's Report

Coordinator has sent out the recent information regarding the Governor's Report on the insurance.

Exemption from Audit

Documents are in progress. Filing is due March 31, 2008. Signature page is ready.

Medical Surge Conference- May 15, 2008.

It was approved to cancel the May MHRETAC meeting so people can attend the Medical Surge Conference. Members present at the conference will meet and discuss the budget. Coordinator will send the budget and all explanations via e-mail.

Provider Grant Hearing – March 20, 2008

12 provider grants will be reviewed today.

Peer Protection- Letter to SEMTAC

Rich Martin requested that the MHRETAC send a letter to SEMTAC bringing the delay in peer protection to the forefront again.

Rich will develop the letter, Coordinator will send to Council Members and on to SEMTAC.

Open Forum for Audience and Council Members:

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn.

Next Meeting-

The next meeting date will be July 17, 2008 from 11am to 1pm, Rita Bass Trauma and EMS Education Institute, Classroom A and B, 190 W. 6th Ave.

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