

**Minnesota Stroke Partnership Steering Committee Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2006**

Snelling Office Park, Little Fork Room, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

*In attendance:* Donna Brauer, Donna Lindsay, Kathleen Miller, Darcy Olson, Beth Rabeneck, Tess Sierzant, Al Tsai, Gary Wingrove. *Guests:* Kristin Bentz (CNS student, guest), Marc Manley (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota) *Regrets:* Sandy Hanson, Lyn Steffen

AGENDA TOPIC	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	DECISIONS	ACTION ITEMS
Welcome and Announcements	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Welcome to Kristin Bentz, CNS student working with Tess this semester.</li> <li>2. AI: future CDC funding for stroke networks is now looking promising! Stay tuned.</li> <li>3. From the Heart: Cardiac Care Conference, (Allina Medical Transportation) September 28-29, 2006 (Bloomington, MN)</li> <li>4. Frontline Neurology Symposium, October 6, 2006 (Minneapolis Neuroscience Institute/AANN, Bloomington, MN)</li> <li>5. National Stroke Association Regional Nurses Meeting, December 5-7, 2006 (Chicago, IL)</li> <li>6. Twin Cities Annual Stroke Survivor Conference, October 28, 2006 (Medtronic World Headquarters, Fridley, MN)</li> <li>7. 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Brain Injury Conference, September 28-29, 2006 (Sponsor: Bethesda Hospital; Northland Inn, Brooklyn Center, MN)</li> <li>8. Hemorrhagic Stroke Grand Rounds, September 25, 2006 Noon (sponsored by NSA, at North Memorial Stroke Center)</li> </ol>	None	None
Project Updates: EMS Stroke Task Force	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EMS Stroke Survey. We achieved a final response rate of 77%. Results were presented at the EMS Medical Directors Conference in September by Gary Pearson.</li> <li>2. Beth mentioned that it seems there is a lot of interest about stroke; importantly, we need to get the word out about the primary stroke centers, recommendations about stroke systems of care, etc.</li> <li>3. Gary mentioned that U of M MERET may be an option for online training – by adding a stroke module. For information about this program, please go to: <a href="http://cpheo.sph.umn.edu/cpheo/meret/home.html">http://cpheo.sph.umn.edu/cpheo/meret/home.html</a></li> </ol>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. AI will finish and distribute report.</li> <li>2. Convene work group to move to phase II: training development.</li> </ol>

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Emergency Department Stroke Task Force	<p>Tess, Darcy and AI met with Genentech last week to discuss their role and how to move forward with recruitment of this task force. Next step is to finalize recruitment list and recruitment strategy. Planning for a November meeting.</p> <p>Group also discussed the larger vision for a comprehensive acute stroke system – “Acute Stroke Transport and Treatment System” is what I’m calling it – and acknowledged that this is a bigger effort than simply the training and resource development for EMS (pre-hospital) and EDs.</p>		Tess, Darcy and AI to meet and strategize recruitment and plan November meeting.
Other	Beth requested that this group be involved in updating the stroke systems of care plan. Gary mentioned a Benchmark scoring system to consider using as a model for those plans.		Beth, Kathleen and AI to discuss process for evaluating and updating.
BCBS of MN: Health Concern Report 2006	<p>Dr. Marc Manley presented background and results from the Health Concern Report 2006 recently published. This quick-and-dirty analysis by their actuarial department found a 24% increase in stroke prevalence between 2001 and 2005 in their 41-64 year old women population.</p> <p>Suggestions for actions in response to this report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Encourage similar analyses by other health plans and/or MDH</li> <li>- Additional analyses of these data to address costs of stroke patients, including cost and outcome comparison analyses of tPA recipients vs non-tPA recipients</li> <li>- Consider focusing PSAs and conducting more events and interventions towards women</li> <li>- Consider targeting younger audiences on stroke risk and awareness</li> </ul>	None	None

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MSP Infrastructure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Organization Chart approved</li> <li>2. General Membership form approved, with suggestion to add area of work/skill field.</li> <li>3. Suggestions for distribution: at conferences, include with survey report distribution, MinStroke meetings, AANN meetings, other professional organization meetings</li> <li>4. Conflict of Interest form discussed and distributed</li> <li>5. Suggestions for Steering Committee meeting topics/themes are welcomed; One suggestion was a stroke survivor panel discussion. Otherwise, meetings will stay in same format for now.</li> </ol>	Steering Committee meeting format will remain the same for now.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Edit membership form and distribute as needed. EXTRA IDEA: pull together an information folder/packet/brochure that Steering Committee members can bring to meetings for distribution to interested people.</li> <li>2. Steering Committee members who have not signed and returned conflict of interest form, please return to AI as soon as possible.</li> </ol>

**Meeting Highlights:**

1. EMS Stroke Survey finished at 77% response rate. Report being drafted.
2. EMS Stroke Task Force reconvening soon to move into phase II: training development
3. ED Stroke Task Force beginning process of recruiting members.
4. Marc Manley presented BCBS of MN Health Concern Report 2006 results – the stroke rate in women is rising and is catching up to men.
5. New organizational chart approved and conflict of interest forms distributed.

*Next Meeting: December 19, 2006*