

Minnesota Stroke Partnership Bulletin

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The MSP Bulletin is distributed to all members of the Minnesota Stroke Partnership (MSP). The MSP is a statewide coalition representing individuals and organizations interested in the prevention and treatment of stroke in Minnesota. Membership is free and open to anyone interested in the promotion of stroke awareness, prevention and treatment. This monthly newsletter provides updates on activities of the MSP and announcements about upcoming events. Information on how to subscribe and unsubscribe to this list is included at the end of this message.

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1. Welcome

Greetings! This is the second issue of the *Minnesota Stroke Partnership Bulletin*. I didn't get any announcements to include this issue, so please email me at albert.tsai@health.state.mn.us to include information in January's *Bulletin*.

Thanks, and stay warm!

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2. MSP Project Update: Emergency Department Resources Project

The aim of this project is to provide resources to and educate emergency department staff around the state on stroke. The ED Stroke Task Force will convene on January 30, 2007. For more information, contact Tess Sierzant, HealthEast Neuroscience Institute, at (651) 326-3415.

3. MSP Project Update: EMS Training Project

The EMS Stroke Task Force will be developing materials and plan for training pre-hospital emergency care providers on stroke. Planning the next phase of this project is still in progress. For more information, contact Albert Tsai at (651) 201-5413.

4. Announcements

- Please be on the lookout for a brand-new website for the Minnesota Stroke Partnership, coming soon in early 2007.

- Also coming soon are two reports: 1) the Acute Stroke Care in Minnesota summary report – results from our hospital survey, and 2) the EMS Stroke Care Survey report – results from our survey of EMS providers.

- Send me information from your organization about stroke events.

5. Calendar

* December 5-7 – 2006 Regional Nurses and Stroke Team Meeting, National Stroke Association, Chicago, IL. Information: <http://www.stroke.org>

* December 19 – Minnesota Stroke Partnership Steering Committee meeting, 3-5 pm. Snelling Office Park, St. Paul, MN.

* January 30 – Minnesota Stroke Partnership Emergency Department Stroke Task Force meeting, 10:30 am – 2:30 pm. Snelling Office Park, St. Paul, MN.

* February 7-9, 2007 – International Stroke Conference, American Stroke Association. San Francisco, CA. Information: <http://strokeassociation.org>

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