

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

This is the fourth issue of the *Minnesota Stroke Partnership Bulletin*. Attached to this month's Bulletin is a newsletter from the Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program. Please note pages 7-9 where they describe a new primary stroke center accreditation program.

Please email me at albert.tsai@health.state.mn.us to include information in February's *Bulletin*.

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 convened on January 30, 2007. The group discussion led to a decision to start the process for developing a statewide standard protocol for emergency department stroke care. Notes from the meeting are forthcoming. Stay tuned!

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. This group will meet February 14 for more planning. For more information, contact Albert Tsai at (651) 201-5413.

4. Announcements

1. Please be on the lookout for a brand-new website for the Minnesota Stroke Partnership, coming soon later this month (hopefully).
2. Please see pages 7 - 12 of the attached document about the new Primary Stroke Center certification under HFAP, Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program. Please share with your stroke partners!

PLEASE send information from your organization about your stroke events!

5. Calendar

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

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