

Minnesota Stroke Partnership Steering Committee Meeting Minutes – September 16, 2008

Snelling Office Park, Minnesota Room, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

In attendance: Cathy Borbas, Cathy Burd, Mary Jo Mehelich, Kathleen Miller, James Peacock, Sueling Schardin, Tess Sierzant, Al Tsai.

Regrets: Al Barton, Donna Brauer, Diane Chappuis, Ed Crisostomo, Elizabeth Gardner, Sandy Hanson, Angela Hedworth, Paula Heinonen, Donna Lindsay, Darcy Olson, Alejandro Rabinstein, Corey Sargent, Marnee Shepard, Stan Shanedling, Lyn Steffen, Sarah Tonn, Kevin Weber, Pam White, Melissa Winans.

AGENDA TOPIC	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	DECISIONS	ACTION ITEMS
Welcome and Announcements	<p>Cathy Burd – new member of the Minnesota Stroke Partnership, Stroke Coordinator at Regions Hospital.</p> <p>Donna Lindsay will replace Tess Sierzant as the Steering Committee chair for 2008-2009.</p> <p>Updated Steering Committee membership lists are available on the Minnesota Stroke Partnership website.</p>	None	None
Great Lakes Regional Stroke Partnership	<p>Jim Peacock reported for Angela Hedworth</p> <p>The 2008 update to the Burden Document has been completed. Contact either Jim Peacock or Angela Hedworth for an electronic copy.</p> <p>The next conference call sponsored through the Great Lakes Regional Stroke Partnership is Lipid Management After Stroke (Sep 18). Information on this and other calls is available at the GLRSN website (glrsn.uic.edu).</p>	None	None
AHA Update	<p>Sueling Schardin passed around a map of Acute Stroke Care at Minnesota hospitals, with data derived from a detailed survey she conducted in early 2008. It is anticipated that data from adjacent states will be made available also, to better understand stroke care services in bordering regions. AHA would like to know which additional overlays would be of interest to the Steering Committee. Jim Peacock anticipated some data from EMS and Hospital discharge data could be useful when looking at these maps.</p> <p>Sueling additionally reviewed AHA's primary legislative issues for the next year; including physical activity standards in schools and obtaining permanent state funding for Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention.</p>	None	<p>Provide feedback to Sueling regarding mapping overlays that would be of interest to the group.</p> <p>Keep MSP up-to-date on AHA's legislative priorities.</p>

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MDH Update	<p>Jim Peacock reported to the group that he and Stan Shanedling had attended the CDC's National Institute for Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention in Atlanta the previous week. There were many interesting and useful sessions on stroke.</p> <p>Jim Peacock reported that MDH is currently working on finding alternate language stroke education materials. HealthEast has asked about the presence of Hmong language materials. Kathleen Miller suggested approaching Wingspan or the Center for Cross-Cultural Health.</p> <p>UPDATE: Some alternate language materials have been found. These are free to use with appropriate source attribution.</p>	None	Circulate alternate language stroke education materials. Jim Peacock will collect and redistribute to all interested parties.
Project Updates: EMS Stroke Task Force	<p>Mary Mehelich reported that the train-the-trainer PowerPoint presentation will be given at the Northwest EMS Regional Conference on 3-4 October 2008 at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahanomen. More information is posted at the Greater Northwest EMS website. Kari Olson from Fairview Southdale will attend and be trained for future presentations.</p> <p>The presentation has additionally made it on to the agenda for the Arrowhead EMS Regional Conference in Duluth in January 2009.</p> <p>Future work by this committee will seek to target the other EMS regions and generate sustainability.</p>	None	Strategize on sustainability.
Project Updates: ED Stroke Task Force	<p>Tess Sierzant reported that development of a state consensus protocol for acute stroke care in ED is moving forward. She and Jim Peacock worked together to craft the document into a more general statement, moving individual protocols and specific treatment guidelines to the appendices.</p>	None	Complete draft, organize conference call for subcommittee
Project Updates: Coverdell Stroke Registry	<p>Al Tsai reported that as of today, 17 hospitals are enrolled. Since last report, St. Mary's – Mayo, North Memorial, Glacial Ridge (Glenwood), and Pine Medical Center (Sandstone) have joined.</p> <p>2175 cases were in the system as of mid September.</p> <p>The Minnesota Stroke Registry Conference will take place on Tuesday, 14 October 2008 at the Orville Freeman Building in St. Paul. Kamakshi Lakshminarayan, U of MN Neurologist and MSR Consultant, Lee Schwamm, AHA's lead physician spokesperson for GWTG and Stroke will be on videoconference during this meeting, Carol Murphy, Analytic Coordinator for the NC Stroke Care Coordinator will be featured speakers.</p>	None	None

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Minnesota Stroke Awareness Operations Plan	<p>Al Tsai provided an overview of the first conference call held by the Stroke Awareness subcommittee in July 2008. The subcommittee's mission is to develop a plan for increasing awareness of Stroke in Minnesota. As part of this effort, a Stroke Awareness Operations document was circulated, detailing the structure, goals, and timelines for this subcommittee's activities.</p> <p>In addition, he circulated a binder that contained a collection of resources that could be used by MSP or individual organizations to share education messages. It will be necessary to update this binder periodically, both to purge old information and add the new.</p> <p>Kathleen Miller asked about the timing for public education activities by this committee. May is National Stroke Awareness Month, and there will need to be several months' lead time for activities/initiatives, especially those that rely on media. Another possibility is to target messaging for the fall (November 2009?) so as to increase year-round messaging on stroke.</p> <p>Kathy Borbas commented that implementation of guidelines in hospitals will require a careful assessment of barriers that exist within health care systems. For example, are emergency physicians on board with administration of tPA? Are internists up-to-date with guidelines on blood pressure management after stroke?</p> <p>The plan will be for this subcommittee to meet periodically to move forward with activities listed in the operations plan. Other members are welcome and encouraged.</p>	None	Continue Stroke Awareness subcommittee meetings
Work Plan for 2008-2010	<p>Jim Peacock reported on progress from the existing Minnesota Stroke Partnership workplan, created in 2006. An update of these items and implementation status follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Emergency Medical Services – Stroke Assessment <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Survey (COMPLETE) b. Presentations to EMS audiences (ONGOING, see EMS Stroke Subcommittee above) c. Report (COMPLETE) 	Follow Stroke Awareness Operations Plan	None

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Work Plan for 2008-2010 (cont.)	<p>2. Emergency Department: Education & Capacity Building (ONGOING – draft of state consensus protocol for acute stroke in the ED underway)</p> <p>3. Public Education Campaign: Awareness of Stroke Signs & Symptoms (ONGOING – Stroke Awareness subcommittee formed, with Operations Plan introduced)</p> <p>Of the three major items listed above, all have either been completed or are substantially underway as of Fall 2008. For the time being, the steering committee agreed to use the new Stroke Awareness Operations Plan as a workplan moving forward.</p>	Follow Stroke Awareness Operations Plan	None

Next Meetings:
January 20, 2009
March 17, 2009
June 16, 2009