

# Community Health EMS



Chairman: Kevin Bollar

## Agenda

- Program Updates
- Needs Assessment Overview
- Discuss Peer Mentoring
- Grants Innovative Funds Information
- State and International Committee Information

# Program Updates

(Ada County Paramedics)



## Mark Babson, Ada County Paramedics

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- St. Luke's Hospital System Contract
- Southwest Idaho Advanced Care Hospital In-Home Patient Medication Reconciliation Pilot Program
- County Employee Mobile Seasonal Flu Vaccinations

# Program Updates

(Ada County Paramedics)



- Ada County Community Paramedic Liaison and Advisory Council
- Field Provider Referral Program
- Involuntary Mental Hold ED Diversion Program

# Program Updates

(Ada County Paramedics)



- Additional Ada County Community Paramedics Education-Approved for upcoming budget
- National Educational Standards
- Expanding Outreach Program – Leverage Current Resources

# Program Updates

(Ada County Paramedics)



- Community Paramedics Insights Forum
  - Monday, October 21st at 3 PM Eastern
  - Minnesota's pioneering urban CP programs at the North Memorial Health Care
  - Ada County Community Paramedics and Qualis Health Presentation
  - <http://cpif.communityparamedic.org>

# Program Updates

(Bonner County EMS)



## Mark Zandhuisen, Bonner County EMS

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- Weekly Blood Pressure screening in Priest River & Sandpoint
- Community Paramedicine Stakeholders meeting
- Utilizing Qualis Health

# Program Updates

(Bonner County EMS)



- Building an Infrastructure for home visits.
- Exploring new partnerships for EPCR and Data exchange
- CP's learning Idaho Health Care exchange
- Exploring vaccination clinics

# Program Updates

(Bonner County EMS)



- Seeking Grants to fund Pilot projects
- CP Pilot process: Define need; Innovate; Create; Fund; Measure; Value = Sustainability



# Needs Assessment Overview



## CP Program Needs Assessment & Outreach

- Your EMS System Review/Stakeholder Identification and Partnerships
- Robust Outreach Program – Double Benefit
  - Education on 911
  - Their needs assessments/gaps/systems
  - Design targeted pilot programs – turn into established programs

# Needs Assessment Overview



- Additional Education-a must
- Shift in Healthcare will impact EMS as well-shift your thinking
  - As healthcare goes, so does EMS
  - Ex – Minimum Equipment – BP Cuff? How about EMR instead!

# Needs Assessment Overview



## Christine Packer – Qualis Health

Christine is a Quality Improvement Consultant with Qualis Health, Idaho's Quality Improvement Organization (QIO). She is on a team of professionals who assist healthcare organizations in improving quality and outcomes for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) initiatives.

### **Christine Packer**

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**Pilot program uses extended paramedic visits to assess and coach patients recently discharged from the hospital**



# Peer Mentoring



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- Rural health exchange program
- Staff from rural health organizations can travel to another community to share information and learn from each other about Community Health EMS
- Not for consultants, conferences, or regularly scheduled meetings

# Peer Mentoring



- Travel and lodging reimbursement
- Short application and outcome report
- See application for contact information

# Peer Mentoring



## Mary Sheridan, Rural Health Program Manager

- Small grant to develop CHEMS model in one CAH community
- Flex grant: 3 awards of \$20,000 each to improve quality and patient safety in CAH's and their communities. Application due November 12, 2013 at 5PM Mountain Time

# Grants Innovative Funds Information



Mindi Anderson, Bureau Representative

- Rural Health Network Development (RHND)  
Grant Program
- CMS Innovation Grants

# State and International Committee Information



Chris Stoker, Bureau Program Manager

– NASEMSO Annual Conference

Mindi Anderson, Bureau Representative

– International Roundtable of Community  
Paramedicine

– Mobile Integrated Healthcare Forum (CPIF)

Bureau of EMS Preparedness: (208) 334-4000

# Conclusion



- Open Discussion
- Summary / final statements