# Community Health EMS Workgroup

## Meeting Minutes:

### SUBJECT:
CHEMS Workgroup August Minutes

### DATE:
August 24, 2016

### ATTENDEES:
Michelle Arnett, Mark Babson, Miro Barac, Bruce Cheeseman, Greg Creswick, Wayne Denny, Elaina Donohoe, Pat Lara, Gina Pannell, Xenya Poole, Mary Sheridan, Christian Surjan, Marta Tanikuni

### LOCATION:
IDHW Offices – 7th Floor Conference Room #A 450 W State Street, Boise ID, 83702

### Teleconference:
Juan Bonilla, Jason Creamer, Les Eaves, Kevin Gray, Bill Holstein, Michael Mikitish, Travis Myklebust, Janet Nelson, Christine Packer, Rachel Porter, James Rhom, Travis Spencer

### Members Absent:
Rachel Blanton, Ross Crawford, Dave Elwell, Ethan Mittelstadt, Rob Petroch, Dave Reynolds, Linda Rowe, Michael Stowell, Petra Thorseth, Dr. Sarah Toevs, Wendy Walther

### IDHW Staff
Taylor Kaserman

### STATUS:
Draft (08/25/2016)

## Summary of Motions/Decisions:

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<td>Mary Sheridan motioned to accept the minutes from the July 27th CHEMS meeting as presented.</td>
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Marta Tanikuni seconded the motion. | Motion carried. |
| Pat Lara motioned to accept the CHEMS workgroup charter as presented. | Les Eaves seconded the motion. | Motion carried. |
Agenda Topics:

Opening remarks, Introductions, Agenda review, Approve minutes – Wayne Denny

Success Measures Update and Approve Project Charter

- **Miro Barac**
  - Revisions for Success Measures were presented, approved, and will be sent to CMMI for final approval
  - The proposed changes:
    - Reduction of 16 established CHEMS programs to 13 (nine paramedic agencies and four EMTs) – this addresses the miscalculation
    - The proposed change from 52 trained personnel for Virtual PCMH coordination also stems from the miscalculation and will be reduced to 35 trained personnel.
    - The last proposed change suggests additional training as peer mentoring along with two (2) conferences held for CHEMS agencies and continuing education
  - Project Charter revisions were proposed and approved by the workgroup and will be sent to IHC for approval
    - Revisions reflect the changes in moving from an advisory group to a workgroup and the alignment of SHIP’s Success Measures

- **Mary Sheridan**
  - Requested feedback in regards to having six (6) Telehealth programs within EMS agencies
    - Feedback included: lack of infrastructure or connectivity in rural areas, lack of definition, reimbursement laws, and reducing the amount of Telehealth programs could reduce the amount of funding
    - Need to “define” Telehealth
    - The workgroup concluded to keep the six (6) Telehealth programs

- Workgroup accepted the Pat/Les motion to approve the charter

Next Admin Training –

- **Mark Babson**
  - Currently three (3) trainings:
    - Outreach training – introduces the CHEMS concept in the community
    - Agency training – participating EMS agencies can learn from Ada County Paramedics on current successes and lessons learned
    - Agency Administration (AA) training -
  - Agencies who have completed trainings:
    - Outreach training: Blackfoot Fire, Magic Valley, Bonner County
    - Canyon County and Ada County will be scheduling their trainings for October
    - Agency training: Blackfoot Fire and Magic Valley
    - Ada County, and Canyon County will be scheduling their trainings for October
    - Bonner County has not scheduled their CHEMS Admin Training as of now
  - The second CHEMS AA training will be held October 19th at Ada County Paramedics
    - Mark and Xenya are reaching out to agencies for potential interest
    - Anyone who is interested in participating can contact Xenya Poole or Marta Tanikuni for more information
    - Mark emphasized that the upcoming CHEMS Admin Training is for any EMS agency who is interested in possibly developing a CHEMS program, and not just for agencies who have already decided. It is also for EMS agencies of all licensure levels, and not just ALS agencies.
BLS/ILS Sub Workgroup

♦ Xenya Poole

- Currently with BLS and ILS agencies to identify interested participants in the sub workgroup
  - Four agencies interested: Shoshone County, Clearwater County, Valley, and Carey
- Workgroup members were also invited to be a part of the sub workgroup
- Meeting specifics will be established and disseminated
- Potentially two, full day meetings
- This sub workgroup will help develop BLS and ILS training materials and education for 2017

Report-Last Minute Action Items

♦ Mark Babson

- Follow up per Gina Pannell’s request for CHEMS agencies that work specifically with primary care clinics
  - Pennsylvania CHEMS agency tried to work with primary care clinics in a pilot program, but it did not get very far for a variety of reasons, primarily differing end goals.
  - In Texas there are some models that are incorporating CHWs into primary care clinics. This approach has been working well. In one small county of Wisconsin CHEMS has been working with primary care clinics. Mark and Gina will meet and get more information through following up with this agency and will send out any material they can on what they find. They plan to come back to the workgroup with recommendations and thoughts.

Next Steps/Updates

♦ Wayne Denny

- Mary Sheridan- requested those who are interested in training(s) and the BLS/ILS sub workgroup to reach out ASAP to ease travel arrangements
- Gina Pannell- the Regional Health Collaborative in district four will meet on the 6th
  - Mary and Mark will be presenting
- Michelle Arnett- continued outreach regarding Medicaid reimbursement strategies
  - Minnesota possibly uses a waiver, but needs confirmation
  - North Dakota has applied for this waiver
- Mark Babson- recently, Minnesota has expanded Medicaid which could explain their success with reimbursement
- Elaina Donohoe- meeting with Michelle Arnett, Dr. Toevs, and Pacific Source’s VP to identify what kind of patients could be utilized in cohorts for the sustainability project
- Gregg Creswick- discussed the funding mechanism for the CHEMS program in Oregon
- Pat Lara- St. Luke’s Health System has been selected for the next generation of the ACO reimbursement model
  - Huge financial incentive for keeping patients out of the hospital
- Xenya Poole- looking at agencies throughout the country and what they put into statute or law
- Miro Barac- meeting with Data Analytics on September 19th
  - Working on presentation with Mary that will be given to the Multi-Payer Workgroup and the current status of Telehealth, CHWs, and CHEMS
- Bill Holstein- working with Xenya to set up outreach training
- Christine Packer- working with Dr. Toevs and Michelle Arnett on the sustainability project
- Juan Bonilla- after conference call with Mark, Xenya, and Marta a meeting will be set up with St. Luke’s McCall in the next month to discuss CHEMS
- Mike Mikitish- 14 students enrolled in the CHW training
  - ISU CHEMS students are in their clinical phase
  - 13 individuals interested in the 2nd cohort (ISU CP Certificate Program)
  - Comparing CP education and the CHW education and Module
- Jason Creamer- working to get physicians together with primary care facilities in the community
- BLS/ILS sub workgroup interest: Christine Packer, James Rhom, Mike Mikitish, Rachel Porter

Meeting adjourned at **11:08am** – Wayne Denny
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