CHEMS Workgroup

Meeting Minutes:

SUBJECT: CHEMS Workgroup June Minutes
DATE: June Wednesday, 2017

ATTENDEES:
Michelle Arnett, Dan Bates, Bruce Cheeseman, Melissa Christian, Wayne Denny, Madeline Russell, Mary Sheridan, Marta Tanikuni

LOCATION:

Teleconference: Jason Cramer, Les Eaves, Bill Holstein, Clearwater, Mark Babson, Mike Mikitish, Elaina Donohoe, Rachel Porter, Travis Spencer
IDHW Staff: Taylor Kaserman

STATUS: Draft (06/28/2017)

Agenda Topics:

Opening remarks, Introductions, Agenda review, Approve minutes – Wayne Denny, EMS Bureau Chief, IDHW

Wayne Denny welcomed everyone and gave introductions. The minutes from the May meeting were approved with edits.

Learning Collaborative – Mary Sheridan, Rural and Primary Care Bureau Chief, IDHW and Mark Babson, Ada County Paramedics

Mark Babson gave an update on the Learning Collaborative. The Learning Collaborative will be an in-person, one day event in Boise, ID. Two educational webinars will be scheduled prior to the Learning Collaborative in January. Mark reached out to Matt Z., key note speaker for this initial design group, deeper dive into measures and give opinions and thoughts based on where we are at with SHIP/CHEMS measures, also give lecture on reimbursement. Will start working on logistics and participants and will begin putting together travel requests.

The two webinars associated with the LC will be focused on one specific subject- workgroup members have been asked to recommend subjects for the webinars so that a subject matter expert for each can be recruited. Potential webinar topics include: Mental Health, care transitions, training on motivational interviewing/active listening techniques, consider moving topics between the webinars and the LC. should we move forward with the webinars? Are they useful/valuable: yes, these would be valuable- there are still edits to be made on the agenda and topic structures for both the webinars and LC.

Trainings and Outreach – Mark Babson, Ada County Paramedics

Mark Babson presented on the outreach for the trainings being offered to CHEMS agencies. Bill Holstein is working on hosting an outreach/training event in mid-August that Mark will be attending. Workgroup members are encouraged to reach out to Mark for help with outreach and trainings. There have been some requests for external outreach from payers and other organizations. Let the planning team know what you need.
There are currently three trainings – 1) Outreach, 2) Agency, and 3) Admin. Most CHEMS agencies have requested that these trainings are delivered in late summer or early fall, so the training time can go towards clinical hours for the CHEMS ISU cohort. Working with Jason Creamer on provider a CHEMS agency training that is geared towards his agency and others in their area to increase the value of the information. Clinical hours start in the fall and the trainings can be used to satisfy these hourly requirements.

Education – Mark Babson, Ada County Paramedics and Marta Tanikuni, EMS Bureau

- Marta updated the workgroup that the third ISU CP cohort has 6 confirmed students and a few others have expressed interest.
- There are over 50 students interested in the BLS/ILS curriculum/educational opportunity
- Mark updated the workgroup on the second cohort that is underway and per their request they are holding off on the three CHEMS trainings. Any other CHEMS agencies feel free to contact Mark for trainings. Trainings will be early September or November. Cohort two students are doing well. Their community assessments are coming along and will start their clinicals at the end of August or early September.
- Meeting with St. Luke’s and Saint Alphonsus to set up community paramedicine specific to their hospitals.
- No new updates on the BLS/ILS curriculum development. Funding for curriculum development is being determined.

Tiered Funding for BLS/ILS – Mary Sheridan, Rural and Primary Care Bureau Chief, IDHW

- There is a lot of opportunity for funding. Agencies with community paramedic students are available for said funding.
- Currently, there are 3 agencies who have received funding and 2 that are working on budgets to be submitted to CMMI.
- Once the BLS/ILS curriculum has been implemented, additional funding may also be available between now and 1/31/2017.
- Funding awarded is to help build CP programs and can’t be used for previous work done.

BSU Pilot Project – Michelle Arnett, BSU

- The report has been completed and will be sent out to the group.
- Identifying the best fit to conduct a pilot project and to track several metrics over 3 years and to demonstrate the usefulness of CHEMS to determine funding outside of SHIP. Settled on Lincoln county as the best fit with possible expansion to Gooding County due to the environment, it’s conducive to testing innovative models with CHEMS.
- What is the scope of services an EMS team can provide? Regence is looking at driving down the total cost of care and might be interested in this project and the findings from the project- a lot of what they are doing has the potential to align with what Regence is interested in for driving down total cost of care. Ada county has 911 call tour that reviews basic EMS practices to give a high-level overview of EMS and possibly tweak the tour to give Melissa additional background information.
- What is the strategy for pursuing funding? Not available at this time.

Data Collection and Project Charter – Marta Tanikuni, EMS Bureau

- Data collection is at the end of the June quarter- sent out an email regarding CHEMS patients and have received some responses. We have received 6 patient surveys.
- The IHC approved the project charter revisions.
Timeline and Next Steps –

♦ Mary: Will talk at next meeting
♦ Dan: moving forward on CHEMS referral program, big push is to reach out to Primary care groups in the county so they know who the agency is so far there have been two meetings. Meeting with TR next month. Might want to talk to Yvonne or Susan- Melissa is happy to help in connecting Dan to IPCA. Trying to coordinate patients back to PCP to stay out of the ER and from calling 911.
♦ Jason: pursuing with Bonner General, presenting a community line,
♦ Bill: Stakeholder meeting August 15.
♦ Travis: working on protocols and engaging with stakeholders

There being no further business Chairman adjourned the meeting at **11:15am**

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