



Community EMS Workgroup

Meeting Minutes:

SUBJECT:	CHEMS Workgroup October Minutes	DATE:	October 25, 2017
ATTENDEES:	Wayne Denny, Xenya Poole, Madeline Russell, Marta Tanikuni	LOCATION:	IDHW Offices – 9th Floor Conference Room #A 450 W State Street, Boise ID, 83702
Teleconference:	Jeff Lindsey, Les Eaves, Travis Spencer, Mary Sheridan		
STATUS:	Draft (11/20/2017)		

Agenda Topics:

Welcome, Introductions, and Meeting Overview – Wayne Denny, IDHW Bureau of EMS

- ◆ Workgroup member introduction
- ◆ Discussion and approval of August meeting minutes. Minutes were accepted.
- ◆ Wayne Denny requested additional agenda topics and the meeting commenced

Regional CHEMS Mentors – Wayne Denny, IDHW Bureau of EMS

- ◆ Discussions have begun between SHIP and the EMS Bureau to define, develop, and implement regional CHEMS mentorship programs. Current dialogue includes: BLS/ILS providers may be left to set up their own CHEMS program; current Community Paramedics could serve as mentors for the BLS/ILS providers and could serve as mentors; and there may be a need to for a “train the trainer” event to prepare mentors
- ◆ Many on the call thought the ‘train the trainer’ event would be helpful
- ◆ Those interested in mentorship, please contact the EMS Bureau

CMMI Tiered Funded Agencies and

- ◆ Complete invoices and send them to Madeline so she can submit to CMMI
- ◆ Currently 6 agencies who have received tiered funding

Agency CHEMS Program Development – Marta Tanikuni, IDHW Bureau of EMS

- ◆ Chief Lindsey presented on Boundary County’s CP program. They currently have 3 CP’s in their clinical rotation right now. Boundary County has only been licensed at the Paramedic level for 2-3 years now, so having Paramedics there is a new concept. CP is still very new.
- ◆ Travis Spencer presented on Payette County’s CP program. Payette County current has 2 people in ISU’s program that are full time. They will be graduating in December. Two, part time employees will be finishing in December as well. Payette met with St. Luke’s and had a conversation about utilizing CHEMS. They have suggested partnering with Canyon County Paramedics to streamline the CP process. Protocols for CHEMS have been sent to Payette’s Medical Director. They will be receiving referrals from the emergency room and primary health. Travis will be setting up a meeting with Primary Care and discharge planners. If everything goes as planned, they will start seeing patient’s

middle of November. Payette has been working with SHIP to receive a telehealth grant, which has been sent to CMMI. Travis attended EMS Expo and talked with vendors about data collection

BLS/ILS Curriculum – *Madeline Russell, IDHW RC Project Manager*

- ◆ CMMI funding was resubmitted. SHIP should hear something in a couple of weeks.

Data Collection – *Marta Tanikuni, IDHW Bureau of EMS*

- ◆ Marta has received some data from agencies. If there are other agencies that have not yet submitted this data and they have patients who have graduated, please send that data to Marta ASAP. Wayne mentioned that there is a deadline to CMMI to get data to them at the end of the year and that data is key in showing value of CHEMS. Travis mentioned that having the Community Paramedic piece of ImageTrend would be a huge opportunity to collect and analyze CP data. Wayne was interested in learning more about the CP piece of ImageTrend and will see if that if something the Bureau of EMS could discuss with ImageTrend.

Next Steps/Updates – *Wayne Denny, IDHW Bureau of EMS*

- ◆ Workgroup members shared their current activities:
 - **Travis Spencer:** There are 14 states that Blue Cross/Blue Shield has approved for reimbursement. He will send the link to those interested. Payette is working on scheduling a Smoking Cessation Course. They also have 3 employees going though “Fit for Fall” which is an exercise program for the elderly to prevent them from falling.
 - **Mary Sheridan:** SHIP’s graduate research assistant will look at private payers who are paying for CHEMS programs. Went to the NCSL meeting and CP is a state priority. They have some examples on how Medicaid is supporting CHEMS and have sent other documents on how programs are being reimbursed. We should continue to look into this.
 - **Les Eaves:** Waiting on the CWI curriculum.
- ◆ Next meeting is Nov. 29th, 2017 and will include several updates on several ongoing CHEMS activities.

There being no further business Chair adjourned the meeting at **10:38AM**.

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