

Vermont Academy of Family Physicians Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 2013
Vermont Medical Society Offices, Montpelier, VT

Present: Allyson Bolduc, Fay Homan, Rob Penney, Mark Lichtenstein, Andrea Regan (phone), Mike Sirois (phone), David Little (phone), Carol Blackwood, Tom Peterson (phone), Dave Riseben (medical student), Stephanie Winters, Allan Ramsay & Zach Sullivan from the GMCB

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Allyson Bolduc, M.D.

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of June 12, 2013. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Prior Authorization Update – Allan Ramsay

Allan announced that Betty Rambur had been appointed to the Green Mountain Care Board. He discussed the prior authorization survey that he worked with the VMS and Stephanie to get out to family physicians, pediatricians, and internal medicine physicians. Payors are willing to work with the GMCB to reduce administrative burdens on primary care practices, and Allan mentioned the possibility of a pilot project where the practice was willing to assume some risk. Allan met with the pediatricians and they suggested a pilot for ADHD where if they follow the guidelines to a tee from the department of health, they would have to get prior authorization.

Please email Allan with ideas on pilot projects!

4. Reports

a. Presidents Report

Allyson reported that she had been contacted by Rebecca Goodman to discuss pulse oximetry. Allyson invited her to attend the fall meeting and offer information to attendees. Allyson also wondered if it would be beneficial to link the VTAFP website to the clinical list serve. Tom wasn't sure about the details of this and was going to check.

b. VDH Report – Allyson Bolduc

Allyson reported that the meetings with VDH and other partners continue to be extremely informative and beneficial. Recently discussions have focused on primary care and public health integration, tobacco cessation in pregnant woman, concussion legislation and adding soccer to the list of sports, the VCHIP CHAMPS Program on adolescent depression screening is looking for practices, and the incidence of gonorrhea has increase dramatically from 33 cases to 101 cases – we need to promote screening with Chlamydia.

c. Updates from UVM – Tom Peterson

UVM is currently in its academic year. There is a new Residency Director – Dr. McCray. Recently there has been work with a residency program in Brooklyn who lost its program to take in 1 resident. The FMIG met in August.

d. Treasurers Report/Budget – Mike Sirois

The checking account currently has a balance of \$65,685.00 and the fidelity account has \$43,801.00. We are on target with where we were last year for income.

e. VMS Update

Allyson discussed the draft resolutions that are going to the annual meeting in October. The VMS is also looking for a representative from the VTAFP for the Physician Policy Council.

5. New/Old Initiatives

a. Fall Meeting/Family Physician of the Year Award

Dr. John Meigs, the Speaker of the AAFP will join us at our meeting this year. Allan Ramsay agreed to give an update of the GMCB, we will ask someone to give an MCH update. Rebecca Goodman will have a table on pulse oximetry and we will have a business meeting. Cy Jordan will also be available to discuss the leadership meeting. Other ideas for topics were: Clinical Genetics, Tick borne disease, ADD, Pharmacology Update, Diabetes Update, Lessons learned from Irene, Haiti, Opiate Training.

b. Congress of Delegates

Allyson and Andy will be attending as Delegates. Stephanie was going to attend, but due to a busy fall schedule is unable to go this year. Both Carol and Stephanie plan to go to D.C. next year.

c. VDH Grant

We were able to secure grant funding from VDH for another year, and this year were able to increase the amount of funding with the addition of funding to supply lead care II machines to family physicians, and funding to work with Cy Jordan and the VMS ERF to hold a leadership conference in January.

d. Other

We will be working on getting the Fall Newsletter out. If people have things they want to submit please send them to Stephanie. So far we have an article on the annual meeting, and an article from Michelle Cangiano on her trip to Africa..

6. Adjourn

This meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.