



Delaware Cancer Consortium Early Detection and Prevention Committee Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2007, 10 am
Delaware Technical & Community College
Dover, DE

Attendees

Members

Did Not Attend	Heather Bittner-Fagen, MD
Attended	Victoria Cooke, DE Breast Cancer Coalition, Inc.
Attended	Mary Cindy Farach-Carson Ph. D.
Attended	Susan Forbes, American Cancer Society
Attended	Stephen Grubbs, MD, Medical Oncology Hematology Consultants, PA
Attended	Paula Hess, Bayhealth Medical Center
Did Not Attend	Nora Katurakes, Helen F. Graham Cancer Center
Attended	Carolee Polek, DE Diamond Chapter of the Oncology Nursing Society
Did Not Attend	Natwarlal Ramani, M.D., G.I. Associates of Delaware

Staff

Attended	Ginger Calloway, Wheeler & Associates Management Services, Inc.
Attended	Katherine Hughes, DE Division of Public Health
Did Not Attend	Donna-Marie King, Aloysius Butler & Clark
Attended	Alisa Olshefsky, DE Division of Public Health
Attended	Alex Parkowski, Aloysius Butler & Clark
Attended	Karen Savin, DE Division of Public Health

Public Attendees/Other

Attended	Richelle Hamblin, Bayhealth Medical Center
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Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

Committee members approved the May 21, 2007 Colorectal Committee meeting minutes with the following change to be made:

- Remove Alison Gill from Attendance Member List

Old & New Business

Welcome/Introductions

Chair, Dr. Stephen Grubbs, welcomed and introduced Mary Cindy Farach-Carson, Ph. D. as a new member of the Early Detection and Prevention Committee. Dr. Farach-Carson gave a brief explanation of her studies at the University of Delaware's Biological Sciences Department.

Submission of Screening for Life (SFL) Enrollment Information to Nurse Navigators

Ms. Karen Savin and Ms. Katie Hughes presented information regarding the May 21, 2007 Colorectal Committee's suggestion to get Screening for Life client lists to nurse navigators on a regular basis. Ms. Savin and Ms. Hughes will distribute this information to nurse navigators on a monthly basis.

Delaware Cancer Treatment Program

Ms. Alisa Olshefsky explained, and members reviewed, the following distributed DCTP graphs:

- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Sex Distribution, Total Cases
- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, County of Residence Distribution, Total Cases
- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Race/Ethnicity Distribution, Total Cases
- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Age Distribution, Total Cases

- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Percentage of Cases by Cancer Group
- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Percentage of Total Expenditures by Cancer Group
- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Percentage of Cases and Expenditures by Cancer Group
- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Average Expenditures per Case by Cancer Group
- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Expenditures and Number of Clients Receiving Services Each Month

Ms. Alisa Olshefsky will bring the below requested information to the November meeting of the Early Detection & Prevention Committee.

- According to the distributed "County of Residence Distribution, Total Cases" data, the percentage utilization of the Delaware Cancer Treatment Program in Kent County is relatively low compared to the population distribution. The committee hypothesized it was because Kent residents are more likely to be insured (private or public). Committee members requested further information.
- Dr. Farach-Carson asked that the age distribution chart be broken down by gender.
- Committee members expressed their interest in delving more into the "events" that cause significant increases in the average cost per month or per cancer type. These would include transplants and some types of medications.
- "Equivocal" is listed as a cancer category in the Delaware Cancer Treatment Program "Percentage of Cases by Cancer Group" graph and the "Percentage of Total Expenditures by Cancer Group". Committee members would like to be provided with a definition of "equivocal" cancer.

Revised Delaware Cancer Treatment Program Regulation Language

Ms. Alisa Olshefsky notified the group that the proposed revision request of the Delaware Cancer Treatment Program's regulation language has been submitted to the Department for review.

Database Workgroup Update

Ms. Nora Katurakes couldn't attend today's meeting, so Ms. Paula Hess gave a Database Workgroup update to the Committee. She explained that Ms. Katie Hughes recently designed a screening document for Mr. Rick McClellan's and Mr. Milton Gottschall's utilization in adding field information into the database. Ms. Hess also explained that a grid similar to the one added for colorectal, would be added for the recording of prostate information as well.

Dr. Stephen Grubbs asked, "What data will be collected if a biopsy is cancerous?" Dr. Grubbs agreed to look at the list of what is planned to be added to the database once it is compiled. Ms. Katie Hughes will forward this information to Dr. Grubbs for his review. This list will be reviewed by members at a future Early Detection & Prevention Committee meeting. Ms. Alisa Olshefsky explained that, at the beginning of the next calendar year, the care coordinators would be added to the database interface.

Dr. Grubbs recommended that the database group review The National Comprehensive Cancer Network's (NCCN), Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology. He said that the NCCN guidelines should serve as a guide when deciding what information to add to the database.

Dr. Grubbs suggested that the most up-to-date cancer screening database work be presented to the Advisory Council. Ms. Alisa Olshefsky will schedule this with the council. Dr. Stephen Grubbs also suggested that the cancer screening database be presented to the full Consortium once complete.

Prostate Cancer Screening Guidelines for Screening for Life (SFL)

Ms. Karen Savin distributed, and the group reviewed, draft Prostate Cancer Screening Services Guidelines. The following are suggestions the committee asked be made.

- Dr. Grubbs suggested that wording be added to specify that men having a family history of prostate cancer have their screening completed 10 years earlier than the age cancer was diagnosed in the family member. Ms. Karen Savin will make this change to the document.

- It was suggested that the DCC Disparities Committee be informed that African American men do have separate prostate recommendations listed in the draft guidelines. Ms. Alisa Olshefsky will inform the Disparities Committee of this.
- It was agreed that at least one Urologist review the draft guidelines and share his/her input with the Committee. Even better would be to have this Urologist become a member of the Early Detection and Prevention Committee. Ms. Alisa Olshefsky and Ms. Paula Hess will contact Dr. Rafael A. Zaragoza, MD regarding his review of the guidelines and possible membership to the DCC.

HPV Vaccine Implementation Plan

Ms. Alisa Olshefsky distributed, and the group reviewed, copies of draft HPV vaccine implementation plans.

Dr. Grubbs asked whether the HPV vaccine would be given at the school based wellness centers. Ms. Alisa Olshefsky will obtain the information by the next committee meeting. Dr. Grubbs mentioned that he would like to eventually see the HPV vaccine become mandatory for school entry.

Discussion was held surrounding possible HPV vaccine media suggestions.

- Dr. Grubbs suggested that parents, as well as adolescents, be targeted at some point.
- Ms. Olshefsky reported that incentives will be targeted towards 11-12 year olds.
- Ms. Paula Hess mentioned possibly partnering with the University of Delaware to connect with college freshman. Ms. Olshefsky explained that a partnership with the School of Nursing to deliver the vaccine has been discussed. Committee members agreed that Delaware colleges be targeted through each school's immunization program.
- Ms. Karen Savin suggested that pediatricians be educated further regarding recommended ages the vaccine be administered. Hopefully, once media campaigns start, the campaigns will help to serve as educational venues for both parents and physicians.

Updates/Other *(related events held/to be held, related achievements, etc.)*

On June 12, 2007 at Nanticoke Hospital, Dr. Grubbs gave a colorectal screening and program presentation to physicians attending their Medical Grand Rounds event. Dr. Grubbs mentioned that Nurse Navigator, Ms. Melinda Huffman attended Nanticoke Hospital's Grand Rounds with him to enlighten attending physicians as to their program related accomplishments. He felt the information was very well received.

Documentation

Along with the meeting agenda and minutes from the previous committee meeting, the following documents were provided at this meeting and are available upon request to Ginger Calloway at 302-335-1495 or via e-mail at Ginger@ManageTool.com:

- July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007, Sex Distribution, Total Cases
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- Prostate Cancer Screening Services and Screening Recommendations for SFL
- Reducing the Burden of Cervical Cancer in Delaware through Wide-Spread Distribution of HOPV and Cervical Cancer Vaccine

Future Meeting(s)

The next Delaware Cancer Consortium Colorectal Committee meeting has been scheduled for **September 17, 2007, 10:00 a.m. at Delaware Technical Community College, Dover, DE.**