Mobile Integrated Healthcare Workgroup

of the Connecticut EMS Advisory Board

Draft Minutes
January 14, 2015 Meeting
Connecticut Hospital Association, 110 Barnes Rd, Wallingford, CT

Attendance: John Quinlavin, Chuck Babson, Bill Schietinger, Doug Dole, Scott Worcester, Barry Barkinsky, James Stead, Bob Ziegler, Josh Beaulieu, Joe Larcheveque, Marielle Daniels, Nancy Brunet, Erin Maloney, David Bailey, Irene Smith, Tiffany Cattey, Leonard Guercia, Fred Potter, Ryan Carter, Jim Santacroce

Meeting called to order at 09:05

John Quinlavin led a general discussion regarding the status and direction of mobile integrated healthcare both nationally and in Connecticut, as well as the potential goals of this workgroup.

Nominations opened for position of Chairperson of the workgroup. David Bailey nominated to be chairperson of the MIH workgroup. No further nominations put forward for chairperson. **Motion made and seconded to appoint David Bailey as chairperson of the MIH workgroup. Motion passed unanimously.**

Nominations opened for position of Vice-Chairperson of the workgroup. Josh Beaulieu nominated to be vise-chairperson of the MIH workgroup. No further nominations put forward for vice-chairperson. **Motion made and seconded to appoint Josh Beaulieu as vice-chairperson of the MIH workgroup. Motion passed unanimously.**

There was discussion regarding the purpose of the workgroup and a mission statement. Consensus agreement that the group should work towards developing a proposal to allow pilot MIH programs in the state. Members felt any such proposal should be broad enough to encompass a variety of local models. Concern was raised that any proposal should include standards and limitations sufficient to address concerns of quality healthcare delivery and the potential for duplication of existing healthcare services. There was discussion regarding the need for data which demonstrates a need for MIH initiatives in order for any proposed pilot program to garner support. Group agreed to continue work on a concise mission statement next meeting as well as to work on next steps toward identifying/quantifying healthcare gaps/needs that may be appropriately addressed by pre-hospital providers.

Consensus that CT-DPH involvement in the workgroup will be very important. **Vice-chair will reach out to CT-DPH representatives to request they send a representative.**

Len Guercia offered to distribute call-in information for an informational community paramedicine conference call on 1/15/2015 with Kevin McGinnis.

Prior to the next meeting, the Chairperson requested members to consider potential areas of local healthcare need within their own systems and what data may be needed to quantify and/or confirm this need. Members were requested to review the ability of their agencies' respective data systems to report on potential areas of local healthcare need. Some examples may include: high frequency, low acuity 911 system users; discharges at high risk for readmission; incidence of hospice revocation; incidence of home healthcare or hospice patients calling 911 who could have been managed in home without transport; etc. Group will need to develop uniform criteria for any reporting to allow for data aggregation.

The next meeting will be January 28, 2015, 11:45am at Hunters Ambulance. This will be following the monthly meeting of the EMS Advisory Board.

Meeting adjourned.