

Ottilie W. Lundgren Mobile Field Hospital
Board of Directors Meeting
Department of Public Health
September 14, 2007

ATTENDANCE

Commissioner J. Robert Galvin, M.D., M.P.H., M.B.A., Department of Public Health (DPH), Greg Sullivan for Secretary Robert L. Genuario, Office of Policy and Management, Walter Lippincott for General Thaddeus Martin, Military Department, Commissioner James M. Thomas, Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, Commissioner John A. Danaher, Department of Public Safety, and Lt. Henion, State Police, David Parrella, Department of Social Services, Leonard H. Guercia, Jr., DPH, Mary Emerling, DPH, Dennis Blaschinski, DPH, Richard Kamin, M.D., DPH Consultant

CONVENED

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

REVIEW OF THE JUNE 8, 2007 MINUTES

The minutes of the June 8, 2007 meeting were reviewed and the minutes will need to reflect:

- Commissioner Galvin will continue to work with Congressman Larson's office to potentially secure funding to support the Mobile Field Hospital.
- The Open House at Waterbury Hospital was well attended with well over 300 attendees.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as amended. The motion carried.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Galvin thanked the Board Members for attending the Mobile Field Hospital Board of Directors meeting. The attendees went around the table and introduced themselves.

SITE SURVEYS

The surveys are almost complete with 3 hospitals outstanding. Yale has requested a 100-bed set-up of the Mobile Field Hospital and the First Selectman of Old Saybrook has requested a display for a two-day seminar that will include the President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. The municipal department of public works will do the set-up for this two-day event.

PHARMACY UPDATE

The pharmaceutical cache has been reviewed. An internal decision was made to use a state vendor and work with John Gadea from the Drug Control Division at the Department of Consumer Protection is underway. The Pharmaceutical policy was approved at the June 2008 meeting.

MOBILE FIELD HOSPITAL POLICIES

The Guidelines for Isolation Precautions and the Guidelines for Cleaning and Disinfecting Patient Care Items were reviewed.

Note: These Infection Control practices have been vetted through several hospitals.

A motion was made to approve both guidelines. The motion Carried without further discussion.

MOU WITH A SPONSOR HOSPITAL

Dr. Galvin and Dr. Deckers sent a draft MOU to Dr. Scott Wetstone about having John Dempsey Hospital as sponsor hospital for the MFH. Dr. Galvin will follow up and get back to the Board Members. There is currently an MOU with the Connecticut National Guard for trailer storage at Camp Hartell.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Example: If an event occurred in Connecticut and the hospital was deployed to treat patients, could insurance be billed for services? There is some concern on the regulatory side that there may not be much buy-in.

A request by the Department of Veterans' Affairs for MFH to support "Stand Down" was made.

ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Conference Room at the Department of Public Health.