

Health Care Coalition Task Force Face-to-Face Meeting

MINUTES JANUARY 19, 2017 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

MEETING CALLED BY	Florida Department of Health
TYPE OF MEETING	Health Care Coalition Task Force (HCCTF) Face-to-Face Meeting located at the Department of Health in Brevard County
FACILITATOR	Jeanine Posey and John Wilgis
NOTE TAKER	Lela Shepard
TIMEKEEPER	Lela Shepard
ATTENDEES	Ann Hill, Gary Kruschke, Dan Johnson, Jacqueline Douek, Yeineli Gonzales, Dave Freeman, Terry Schenk, Ray Runo, Tom Knox, Myesha Ponder, Bruce Gottschalk, George Merceron, Jamie Billingsley, Holly Kirsch, John Hatfield, Connie Bowles, John Wilgis, Jeanine Posey, Lela Shepard, Kathleen Marr, Tom Daly, Mary Kay Burns, Leigh Wilsey, John James, Emily Wilson, Lynn Drawdy, Dan Simpson, and Dr. James Shultz.

AGENDA TOPICS SUMMARY LELA SHEPARD

DISCUSSION Welcome and HCCTF member roll call.

Sharing Best Practices: John Hatfield, former chair of the Clinical and Ethical Issues Workgroup of the Miami-Dade County Health Care Coalition shared how his workgroup has helped the two biggest hospitals in Miami-Dade (Jackson and Baptist) develop crisis standards of care (CSC). John explained that both hospitals plan to incorporate the standards into their emergency plans. A PowerPoint was provided to the group. After the presentation, there were questions of John about the coalition membership and thoughts about decision trees in the CSC policies being used by the hospitals. John Hatfield also mentioned that his coalition is already reaching out to certain providers – particularly nursing homes – given the new Committee on Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Emergency Preparedness rule (EP). His coalition is going to the nursing homes and their meetings, not waiting for them to come to the coalition.

2016-17 Contract Deliverables Update: Jeanine Posey provided an update to the HCCTF members about the upcoming deliverables due April 15. John Wilgis emphasized that the Department cannot discuss the health care coalition request for proposals (RFP) for the next grant year. There is an RFP process and the group needs to wait until the RFP is out and follow the process.

Bureau Updates: Jeanine updated the HCCTF members about recent changes in the Bureau. The Bureau recently realigned to where Jeanine is now not only over Health Care Coalitions (HCCs), but also technical assistance to County Health Departments, managing Florida's changing Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) program, and vulnerable populations outreach. Lela Shepard will now be the point person for the HCCTF. Lela will be transitioning into the role of program manager for the HCC program and work closely with the contract managers.

Discussion about the CMS Rule and Florida HCCs: John Wilgis and Jeanine Posey both lead the discussion with the HCCTF members about the new CMS EP rule which requires more facilities to meet various emergency preparedness planning, training, and exercise requirements. The new rule goes into effect November 2017. The members discussed the opportunity for coalitions to expand their membership base by showing the value in this emergency preparedness area to these facilities. Coalitions can be a resource in their region on this by providing planning, training, and exercise workshops and tools to these facilities (as a group). The Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) website called TRACIE, has good information on what coalitions can and cannot do to help facilities. See https://asprtracie.hhs.gov/cmsrule. There were additional discussions about what the Bureau can do to reach out to these facilities. For example, participating in events and conferences hosted by various statewide groups that represent these facilities. The Bureau can purchase a both for Florida's health care



coalitions which could share educational information about the role and benefits of being a member of a health care coalition. The suggestion was made that the Bureau purchase a booth at the Florida Health Care Association conference this summer. The coalition members seem to be most concerned with the nursing homes and dialysis centers. The group also discussed the Agency for Health Care Administration's (AHCA) role in interpreting the CMS rule for Florida facilities. John Wilgis said there was yet any word from AHCA on the EMS EP rule. Jeanine and John promised to keep the group apprised on any AHCA movement, webinars on the rule and sharing best practices.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30pm.