

Nebraska Coalition for Patient Safety

Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 8, 2006

I. Call to order

Steve Smith, MD called to order the teleconference meeting of the **Nebraska Coalition for Patient Safety** at **1330** on **May 8, 2006**.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: D. Brown, R. Billerbeck, E. DeSimone, K. Jones, C. Kampschnieder, E. Olson, C. Mlady, S. Smith, and P. Scholting.
Absent: M. Seeland, R. McQuillan, A. Svoboda, and K. Peppmuller.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from April 4, 2006 meeting were approved as read.

IV. Open issues

1) Committee reports

- a)** Finance committee report was presented by E. DeSimone. The committee continues to work on the framework for the executive director position for the NCPS. Job description, salary, and benefits for the position will be developed at the committee's next scheduled meeting. D/O insurance continues to be investigated for the board. Price quotes will be reviewed and prepared for presentation to the board. E. DeSimone will email the committee meeting minutes to all members of the board for review. Midwest Medical Insurance has voiced an interest in joining the NCPS and offer financial and educational support. This will be further investigated.
- b)** Reporting committee report was presented by S. Smith. The committee continues to discuss objectives and goals. These objectives would ensure providers that reports are safe, confidential, and not burdensome to those completing the forms. Reports will provide meaningful data to the provider in their quality improvement efforts. The information will be credible. Members of the board were encouraged to review the National Academy for State Health Policy website (NASHP.org). Tool kits and articles included in the website will be useful in developing a reporting system for the NCPS. S. Smith and M. Seeland plan to arrange a teleconference with the Minnesota program to help them with developing the framework for the Nebraska reporting system. A future meeting is planned with committee members.
- c)** Education committee report was presented by E. Olson in the absence of R. McQuillan. The committee continues to discuss methods to present information to associations and interested parties. The board was encouraged to arrange to present general information regarding the NCPS to their respected associations to generate support within the community. A meeting is planned in the near future.
- d)** Communication committee report was presented by S. Smith. NCPS information brochures will be ready for distribution in general information packets. These packets

will be forwarded to the associations and legislative leaders. S.Smith reported that he made a short presentation at the CIMRO meeting on May 9, 2006. He will forward the general information used at this presentation to the board members for review and use in future presentations.

2) **Old business**

- a) The development of the contract with providers along with the proposed membership fee schedule continue to be discussed.
- b) The executive director position remains open to discussion by board members.

V. **New business**

- a) Discussions will be held regarding volunteer reporting vs. mandatory reporting.
- b) Committees will continue to develop goals and objectives to present to the board in the future.
- c) The board will next meet in mid June.

VI. **Adjournment**

Steve Smith, MD adjourned the meeting at **1410**.

Minutes submitted by: Patty J Scholting, PA-C, Secretary NCPS.