



Mobile Integrated Healthcare Advisory Committee

Date: November 18, 2020

Time: 10:00 a.m. EST

Location: via Microsoft Teams online

Members present: Dr. Michael Kaufmann, State EMS Medical Director
Kraig Kinney, State EMS Director
Chief Paul Miller, MIH-CP Program Director
EMS Chief Steve Davison, Municipal MIH-CP Program
Chad Owen, Non-municipal MIH-CP Program
Laura Schwab-Reese PhD, College/University
Shane Hardwick, MIH-CP Provider
Dr. Jennifer Sullivan, FSSA Representative
Keith Mason, Insurance Industry Representative
Andy Van Zee, IN Hospital Association Representative
EMS Chief Doug Randall, IN Fire Chiefs Association

Other Present: Robin Stump, Dr. Sara Brown and Lea Myers.

Absent Members: Dr. Lindsay Weaver, Nate Metz.

Roll Call

Chairperson Kinney welcomed everyone and stated we had quorum only missing Dr. Weaver and Mr. Metz and new designee Dr. Eric Yazel.

Welcome New Member

Dr. Kaufmann welcomed Dr. Eric Yazel to the Committee. Dr. Yazel will be filling the medical director for a community paramedicine program. He was recently appointed as the local health officer for the health department in Clark County. He has been a medical director for EMS agencies for many years. He promotes community paramedic and was happy to accept the position. Dr. Yazel had intended to participate in this meeting but was required to work related to COVID.

Dr. Kaufmann also gave an overview of the district forums that EMS has conducted around the state. He asked for those on the call to give an overview of their vaccine programs they have initiated.

Adoption of Minutes

Chairperson Kinney ask for approval of the minutes of the last meeting. Steve Davison motion for approval of minutes and Dr. Kaufmann second the motion. Steve Davison ask that a correction be made to the minutes on the last page regarding the reference to the legislative. The minutes reflected Bill number 339 but should be Bill 359. Motion was approved by all members.

Program Overview

Chief Miller from Crawfordsville Fire Department gave an overview of their Project Swaddle. They are working with the community and schools to provide vaccines in the schools. They have given around 100 flu vaccine in the Crawfordsville schools and will be in two other districts later in the week. They would like to reach around 8,500 cradle to grave vaccines by March 2021. The fire department will also be doing a drive through COVID testing with the local health department. Project Swaddle had a couple hurdles but was able to provider service to 108 women. They had just under 1,000 visits between in person and telehealth visits and all the women were able to carry to full term delivery with acceptable birth rates. All the women were high risk. With good education and consistent messaging with all health care professionals they had a large decrease in emergency department visits.

Dr. Schwab-Reese committed on the quantitative data they have collected. They are paring data from Montgomery County with other counties with similar issues and trying to see what is different in Montgomery county and mom's being served by project swaddle and other mom's in other areas with similar issues. They also communicated with around 25 mom's served by the project swaddle and found that mom's loved the program. They stated many great things about the support given and that the referral's that was given they were able to connect easily. They were able to have a connection to the community paramedic and was able to have direct communication to be able to ask questions about information they got off the internet or with their social circle.

Keith Mason discussed that through United Health Care through the Medicaid is working with Crawfordsville FD and Rural Health Association is working to expand the program into three other location in Indiana. They are looking at just outside of Fort Wayne, Rush County and another Franciscan Hospital in the northcentral region.

Shane Hardwick from Indianapolis EMS discussed the vaccination program they put together with the Shepard Community Center. Shepard Community Center covered the cost of the paramedics during the program where they conducted a flu clinic each Wednesday for the month of October. They included it with a food distribution

that the center does within the community. They were able to administer just under 500 flu vaccines. The largest hurdle was public education with questions from the community.

Dr. Sullivan talked about reimbursement and because they had worked on the naloxone they could transition easily into vaccines. She also spoke about a meeting with the health legislative director from Senator Young's office talking about the expansion of mobile integrated health into health care delivery at the federal level.

Dr. Kaufmann discussed that we need to do a how to manual for these programs. He has been working on the vaccination manual and ask for any input and feedback from the committee.

Chairperson Kinney discussed next meeting being the third Wednesday next year every other month.

Discussion regarding meeting dates and it was decided to do the second Wednesday starting January 13, 2021.

There will be a EMS Leadership/Medical Director conference by the State Department of Health on December 8th and 9th. This is a virtual conference this year and free to those that participate.

Steve Davison discussed that he would be willing to help Chief Miller with standing up their COVID testing site and discuss some of the hurdles that they had in Hamilton County. They have administered around 22,000 tests. Steve stated they would develop a how to manual on standing up their program.

Chairperson Kinney adjourned meeting at 10:49a.m.