

Maine Stroke Alliance (MSA) Minutes

Thursday, July 28, 2020

Zoom

9:30 am-11:15 am

Present

Hannah Huggins (MCD), Jane Morris (MMC), Mindy Keene (CMMC), Stephanie Gagne (MMC), Angela Wheelden (EMMC), Roople Unia (EMMC), Brian Chipman (Maine General Augusta), Andy Ehrhard (EMMC), John Thyng (AR Gould), Rick Petrie (Atlantic Partners EMS), Abigail Egan (AHA), Shelly Davgun (MMC), Dottie Carroll (Androscoggin Home Healthcare), Dave McDermott (Mayo), Kate Zimmerman (MMC/MEMS), Norm Dinerman (EMMC/LFOM)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up/ Recommendations
Welcome/Introductions	Introductions were made.	
Approval of Minutes	The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made and seconded to accept the May, 2020 minutes as written.	
Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>AHA Tristate Stroke Coordinator Mtg</u> - None • <u>Medical Director Meeting</u> - None • <u>Legislative</u> - None 	
TNK for treatment of AIS Presentation by Dr. Morris	<p><u>Kate announced upcoming investigation of FAST ED by EMS and outcomes for LVO:</u> ME, NH and VT with EMS, and larger medical centers, MMC, and Dartmouth and UVM medical center were accepted for a grant to investigate utilization of FAST ED by EMS and how well that can be implemented and outcomes for LVO patients. Currently completing IRB applications and will be collecting data soon. FAST ED has not been validated in a large EMS system especially in rural areas. This is something they are hoping to do with this study.</p> <p>Abigail suggests sharing data with AHA, so groups in other areas in the state that are studying FAST ED and EMS can coordinate.</p> <p><u>Jane presents TNK for treatment of AIS research:</u> This includes review of pharmacological differences between Alteplase (tPA) and Tenecteplase (TNK), review of current data on TNK for treatment of AIS, and latest TNK proposal for stroke at MMC. Jane has already received endorsement from the ATF and is currently seeking endorsement from Emergency Medicine. Next, she will present the proposal to the MMC Formulary Subcommittee in Augusta and MMC P&T Committee. Jane projects to roll out TNK use in September/October at the latest.</p>	Hannah agrees to share the PowerPoint slides with the group again.

	<p>Andy asks about mortality – Jane says there are no differences in mortality in the two treatments. President of ME ACEP, Dave, to discuss how to spread throughout ME ACEP.</p> <p>Mindy of CMMC updates the group on CMMC’s progress on switching to TNK. CMMC is waiting on MGH’s data on usage and details on cost.</p> <p>Roople – Mentions there is no discussion of TNK at EMMC yet.</p> <p>Brian asks about cost from Genetech and if it is reimbursable from carriers. You can mix it faster than Tpa, so no need for delay where things may change. Jane notes that there is no issue offering things that are not FDA approved. She is awaiting confirmation, but feels confident that reimbursement is not a major issue.</p>	
<p>The future of the Maine Stroke Alliance</p>	<p><u>Subgroups</u>: Hannah summarized where MSA stands in our planning of the future of this group, including Jane’s updates on statement of purpose, the organization of sub-groups, our funding search, and website development.</p> <p>Jane provided an overview of the living MSA Statement of Purpose document. Subgroups can peel off their section of this document and work on their mission, goals, etc to add to this document. The final product is projected to be posted on the website along with any materials that come out of subgroups to recruit additional engagement. Each leader of subgroup will participate on the board, which will help with accountability. Jane mentions that there should be a patient in each group and on the board.</p> <p>Next meeting: Group agrees to connect about what they gleaned from each subgroup meeting.</p> <p><u>Funding</u>: Shelly presented a summary of the sub-group structure she had drafted to the group. Concerns include that this structure would discourage folks to join during a time when recruitment is a priority for the group.</p> <p>Other models suggested include: grant funding, Maine Hospital Association, alliance with a legislature, sub-group specific funding from target audiences, AHA administrative support, or fundraising.</p>	<p>Hannah will ask the group for organized feedback about the structure/content of the MSA Statement of Purpose Document.</p> <p>Hannah will make sure sub-groups meet at least once before the next meeting in October. She will also send progress reports on subgroup activity between now and the next meeting in October.</p> <p>Subgroups are to meet and set up their leadership structure, determine their mission, timeline, and action plan. This information can be used to outline Statement of Purpose document.</p>

		<p>Dave will connect Hannah with Sandy Parker of Maine Hospital Association to explore option of funding.</p> <p>Shelly will investigate improving the membership model with feedback from this meeting.</p> <p>Hannah will investigate other models suggested.</p>
Next Meeting	<p>Next meeting date is 9:30am-11:15am on October 27, 2020 via Zoom.</p> <p>Please contact Hannah Huggins at hhuggins@mcd.org or 207-622-7566 ext. 224 with any questions regarding the group meetings.</p>	