

POLST Registry Advisory Committee

January 24th, 2011

9:00 – 10:50

Portland State Office Building

Room 918

Meeting Minutes

Present: Margaret Carley, JD, RN., Doug Kelly (Chair), Ritu Sahni, MD, MPH, Patty Brost, Jane Baumgarten, Terri Schmidt, MD., Jan Campbell.
On Phone: Susan Tolle, MD., Laura Matthews, RN., Sheila Sund, MD.
Guests: Jenny Cook, Jeanene Smith, Cathy Spillman, Susan Grzesiak

Discussion

1. Convene / Review Agenda / Confirm status of conference call participants / Introduce Guests

2. Review Minutes from the October meeting

October 11th minutes delays will review and approve in April with January 24th minutes.

3. Committee Business

a. Election of New Officers

Nominations for Doug Kelly for Chair and Laura Matthews for Vice Chair received 2nds and were voted in unanimously.

4. OHA Implementation Update

- Dr. Sahni thanked the committee with a special note of Margie Carley's leadership for their efforts.
- Patty Brost & Dr. Sund would like to be reappointed to another term on the committee. The process of reappointing them has been started.
- Ella Booth resigned so a new "Public Person" is needed to fill out the remainder of her term. If anyone knows of anyone who is interested, e-mail Dr. Sahni at sahnir@ohsu.edu.
- A new Legislature session is beginning. There is nothing that functionally affects PRAC or POLST.
- Dr. Sahni gave a brief description of SB 234 and how it ties to the Emergency Healthcare Task Force Report (copies of report were offered at the meeting and electronic copies were e-mailed after the meeting). Our office does not have a position on this bill as of now.
- Dr. Sahni explained the division from DHS and becoming OHA and how the functionality and operations have changed.

5. Discuss Objectives for 2011

- a. Continue to monitor current Registry performance measures.
- b. Discuss potential contract language and performance measure changes at the April meeting.
- c. Keep track of the evolution of ePOLST electronic forms.
- d. Keep monitoring the non-registry ready forms.
- e. Have someone from Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC) come and speak to privacy and security in July or October.

6. Update on ePOLST Form

- Dr. Schmidt spoke about POLST Registry and its goal to have a revised form by June.
- Direct forms questions to Sara Foreman to maintain the high quality of the program.
- Templates will be created for download.
- ePOLST is working on developing forms and they are in the testing phase w/ Providence.
- The ultimate goal would be to have an electronic system that all could use.

7. Standard Registry Reports

- The Performance Measures had already been adopted and no new Performance Measures were discussed
- Jenny Cook went over the data report from the Oregon POLST Registry that was handed out.
- A heat map displaying Active Oregon POLST Registry Registrants by County was also included in the handouts and gone over briefly.

8. Identify any issues to refer to the POLST Task Force

- Recommend that POLST education throughout the state continue and in the future increase.
- **Dr. Sund made a motion to have the registry develop the data where calls are coming from geographically to make sure that the EMS system is using the POLST system appropriately throughout the state. 2nd by Margie. Motion passed unanimously.**
- Laura Matthews informed the committee of an online Advanced Care Planning Facilitation / Train the Trainer class for POLST being offered for \$80.00. Being offered as part of their grant.
- Ideas for ePOLST forms.
- Send any agenda items or ideas for topics to Margie Carley and/or Doug Kelly for either PRAC or the Task Force.

9. Evaluation / Research

a. Any new research requests?

- No new requests.

b. Research reports?

- All previous research projects are in process.
- Jeanine Smith asked that any advanced media / articles etc. be given to Ritu as soon as possible.
- Committee should get copies of research reports.
- Jeanine Smith of the Oregon Health Policy Board distributed Oregon's Action Plan for Health December 2010 Report (electronic copy e-mailed after meeting).

10. Chair Comments

- Doug Kelly complimented Dr. Tolle on her Wall Street Article.
- Review of meeting dates of the PRAC which are:
 - April 4th – Joint meeting with the POLST Task Force – PRAC will meet from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. and the Task Force will join from 11:00 – 12:00.
 - July 11th 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 - October 10th 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

11. Public Comment

- Compliments were given to Margie Carley, committee and registry staff for their dedication and efforts.
- Special Compliments of the amazing jobs that Jenny Cook and Sarah Papp do. They are what makes POLST an active, living thing in Oregon.

12. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.