

Minutes of the Healthcare Data Advisory Council

December 2, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Suite 1586
Alabama Department of
Public Health
The RSA Tower
Montgomery, Alabama

Members Present

Thomas Miller, M.D.; Chairman, Acting
Alan M. Stamm, M.D.; Association for Professionals in Infection Control
Keith Granger; Alabama Hospital Association
Patty Miller; Alabama Hospital Association
Brenda Duncan; Alabama Hospital Association
Donald Jones; Alabama Hospital Association
Roslyn Jett; Alabama Hospital Association
Claude Kinzer, M.D.; Medical Association of the State of Alabama
William McCollum, M.D.: Mineral District Medical Society
Susan Warren; Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama

Members Absent

Beth Anderson; Alabama Hospital Association
Julie Boothe, M.D.; Medical Association of the State of Alabama
Elliott Lipinsky; Governor's Consumer
Michael O'Malley; Alabama Association of Health Plans
Randall Weaver, M.D.; Medical Association of the State of Alabama

Staff Present

Kahlia Bell; Communicable Disease
Nancy Bishop; Professional Support Services
Nadine Crawford; Communicable Disease
Sherri Davidson; Communicable Disease
Theresa Dix; Center for Emergency Preparedness
Joanna Johnson; Communicable Disease
Tammy Langlois; Communicable Disease
Mary McIntyre; Disease Control & Prevention
Carter Sims; Health Provider Standards
Kelly Stevens; Communicable Disease
Harrison Wallace; Communicable Disease

Organizations Present

Rosemary Blackmon; Alabama Hospital Association

CALL TO ORDER:

The Healthcare Data Advisory Council was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Dr. Miller. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes from September February 11, 2015 were presented. A motion to approve the February 11, 2015 minutes was made and seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

HAI Program Activities:

2014 HAI Data:

Kelly Stevens presented the 2014 HAI Annual report to the Council. Ms. Stevens explained the detailing, distribution, layout, changes and one issue with a hospitals data as well as an issue in measuring the deep tissue SSI's reporting. The Council reviewed the report. Some typos were identified and will be corrected. A motion to approve the publishing of the 2014 HAI Annual Report with edits as required was made and seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

HAI Facility Validation Site visits:

The State HAI Coordinator, Nadine Crawford, informed the Council that 21 hospitals were selected and visited. These were selected using a targeted random selection method. Of 977 records reviewed 929 were accurately categorized. This was an accuracy rate of 95%. The other 5% were a mixture of misidentifying CLABSIs that should not have been and failing to identify those that were CLABSIs. One third of the hospitals validated had no errors found in their identification of events. The remaining 2/3 had the 5% of errors. The validations were done following the NHSN External Validation Guidance and Tool Kit 2014 method. This allowed for a controlled and systematic review of the records. Following the completion of the site visit the HAI coordinator provided education; frequent topics included applying secondary infections as well as age in relations to LCBI application. The 2015 9-month reports will be distributed in January to the facilities to prepare for the 2015 validations.

Council Appointees:

Kelly Stevens provided information to the Council regarding new members appointed to the council. Brenda Duncan, Donald Jones, and Roslyn Jett were introduced, and Elliott Lipinsky who was unable to attend today was also named. The new members received a packet with the HAI rules and regulations, and promotional materials.

Call for HDAC Work Groups:

1. Information: Introduce Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Ebola Supplement grant objectives

a. HDAC Working work group- Healthcare Infection Control & Prevention Readiness

Tammy Langlois presented information on the objectives for the workgroup. This work group will be involved with healthcare infection prevention and control readiness. Plans include conducting an inventory of healthcare facilities in the state and conducting a survey to collect information on the current infection prevention and control capacity, identifying gaps, and providing resources to fill those gaps.

2. Information: Introduce National move towards Antimicrobial Stewardship and ADPH vision

a. HDAC Work Group- Antimicrobial Stewardship

- Dr. Mary McIntyre and Nadine Crawford presented information on Antimicrobial Stewardship including the history of this movement and issues that are faced. This work group will be integral in promoting and

uniting the movement towards better antimicrobial stewardship. The work group would:

- Collect ideas on best practices from facilities that have an Antimicrobial Stewardship Program (ASP) in place
- Offer ideas to facilities on how to overcome barriers to implementation of an ASP, as well as best practices for implementation and performance metrics for effectiveness,
Work with Healthcare facilities:
 - To better detect, prevent and respond to antibiotic resistance
 - Improve communication between healthcare facilities when transferring patients known to have multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO) to prevent the spread of resistant infections between facilities
- Improve antibiotic prescribing practices by ensuring all hospitals have effective stewardship programs
- Disseminate antibiotic resistance (AR) educational resources to communities and healthcare facilities
- Provide AR data that can be used to target hot spots and outbreaks, and improve infection control practices in facilities

The Council suggested fact sheets be developed for each of the programs to assist with the solicitation of members. Several Council members volunteered to serve on a work group or to suggest persons who may be interested. HAI staff will prepare the fact sheets and send them to appropriate partner agencies and individuals. Staff plans to organize a meeting for the work groups prior to the June Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting of the Healthcare Data Advisory Council adjourned at 11:58 a.m. The next Council meeting is scheduled for March, 2015.

Date: _____

Thomas Miller, Acting Chairman
Healthcare Data Advisory Council

Date: _____

Nadine Crawford M.S.N., R.N.
State HAI Coordinator