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**MEETING MINUTES**

March 16, 2015

Stephen Mandia, MD, Chair

**Call to Order**

Dr. Stephen Mandia, Chair, called a meeting of the DCMS Public Health Committee to order on March 16, 2015, at 6:03 pm, at the Duval County Medical Society, 1301 Riverplace Blvd, Suite #1638, Jacksonville, FL 32207.

**Attendance**

Committee Members Present: Stephen Mandia, MD, Chair; Iris Eisenberg, MD; Robert Harmon, MD (via phone) Joseph McQuade, MD; Donald Morford, MD; Joseph Sabato, MD.

Committee Members Absent: Kelli Wells, MD, Vice Chair; Joe Ebbinghouse, MD; H. Warner Webb, MD.

Others Present: Scott Silliman, MD; Wayne Hodges.

DCMS Staff Present: Bryan Campbell, EVP; Patti Ruscito, Dir. of Ops.

**Introductions**

Dr. Mandia thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and asked that they introduce themselves.

**Minutes**

MOTION 01-03-15

**MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE THE DCMS PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2014, AS SUBMITTED.**

**Healthy Jax Program**

Mr. Campbell noted that the Mayors Council on Fitness and Wellbeing's Healthy Jacksonville Program is gaining some momentum. He noted that the DCMS Foundation has agreed to take on the Million Pound Challenge and work with coalition partners on the Mayor's Council, the five counties involved, and the organizations who have agreed to participate. He noted that the Foundation plans to raise money and spearhead the effort.

Mr. Campbell stated they will need a coordinated campaign for the program, and can use existing initiatives such as the three simple points of (1) eating fresh, (2) get off the couch, and (3) setting goals. He noted that they will set up a simple website and perform organizational outreach to retrieve the data needed. Dr. McQuade discussed public outreach and suggested it might be useful to look into the Preventive Partners Website involving the DOD and Naval Hospitals, which was subsidized by the CDC.

**Stroke Program**

Dr. Assar stated that he and Mr. Campbell attended a meeting of the EMS Council of NE Florida, where they heard discussion of needing a stroke program similar to the cardiac arrest "STEMI" program in NE Florida. He asked Dr. Silliman and Mr. Hodges to provide information on the STEMI program already in place with EMS. They noted that it took two years before data could be reported, and while hospitals supported STEMI, they would have to be shown that a similar stroke program would save money. Dr. Silliman also noted that a recent article in the *NE Journal of Medicine* indicated that stroke protocol may be changing and current

protocol and guidelines the hospitals and EMS use will no longer be appropriate. Mr. Hodges noted that the stroke program would also be larger with approximately 2,400 patients, verses approximately 200 STEMIs per year.

While EMS supports the creation of the stroke program regionally, the Committee agreed it would be critical to have a clinical analysis of data with real time statistics. Also, they would need a better model, and could possibly look at obtaining data for the six regions from the Florida Department of Health database.

Mr. Campbell suggested that convening a Consensus Conference would help in determining consensus on standard of care for a stroke program, He noted the Conference would have experts holding a series of presentations, community involvement and CME. At the end of the Conference, a Consensus Committee would present a final set of treatment protocols and a statement based on consensus. Mr. Campbell suggested that the Conference be held at Jacksonville University and that the State Surgeon General, DOH in Duval County, hospitals, primary stroke centers, EMS services and others would be invited.

**RECOMMENDATION NO. 1 THAT THE DCMS, THROUGH ITS PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE, SUPPORT HOLDING A CONSCENSUS CONFERENCE ON CREATING A STROKE PROGRAM IN 2015, INVOLVING HOSPITALS, PRIMARY STROKE CENTERS, EMS, ETC.**

Mr. Campbell stated that he will be asking for contacts for sponsors for the Conference. Dr. Harmon noted that Cerner might be able to assist with data which could possibly lead to obtaining a grant for the program.

**Future Meetings**

Dr. Mandia stated that the dates for the next two Public Health Committee meetings will be July 13 and November 16, 2015.

**Adjournment**

Dr. Mandia thanked Committee members and guests for attending the meeting, which adjourned at 7:04 pm.