

Florida Kidney Disaster Coalition

MINUTES

Date: 6/17/10

Time: 1:00 – 2:30

Location: Teleconference

Members Present:

Susan McDevitt, State DOH

Moira Markowski, Miami Dade DOH

Gary Didra, Logisticare

Rose Toms, Renal Advantage

Linda Carroll, FKDC

Sherilyn Burris, Network 7

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	PLAN OF ACTION	RESPONSIBLE
Welcome & Roll Call	Sherilyn Burris opened the meeting at 1:00 pm and introductions were made.		
Action Item Status	<p>1. Communication with special needs shelters. The course, “Caring for ESRD Patients in a Disaster” was approved for nursing and social work CEUs and posted to the FKDC website.</p> <p>The course was shared with Susan McDevitt (Florida Department of Health – Office of Trauma) and the Red Cross. No feedback was received from the Red Cross. A follow-up email will be sent. Additionally, Luke Wood (Florida Department of Health) shared the course information with Public Health Preparedness Planners in Sumter, Citrus, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, and Hardee counties. They will make it available to their Special Needs nurses. The information was also forwarded to Mr. Wood’s 6 regional counterparts who will distribute to health department planners in Florida’s remaining 59 counties.</p> <p>Based on discussion during the meeting, the course information will also be shared with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luke Wood will share information via a contact with the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) • Sally Gore will contact the Florida Hospital Association (FHA) to share the course information 	<p>Provide quarterly statistics on course usage. Determine if name/title/agency of person taking course can be tracked.</p> <p>Send follow-up email to Red Cross regarding course.</p> <p>Share course information with MRC</p> <p>Share course information with FHA</p> <p>Share course information with South Florida Hospital Association</p> <p>Look into possibility of providing course in-person to Miami-Dade and Broward counties</p>	<p>Sally Gore</p> <p>Sally Gore</p> <p>Luke Wood</p> <p>Sally Gore</p> <p>Susan Kreuter</p> <p>Susan Kreuter</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Kreuter will share the information via a contact with the South Florida Hospital Association • Susan Kreuter also requested the in-person CEU version of the course to look into the possibility of presenting it to Miami-Dade and Broward counties. <p>2. FKDC newsletter. The most recent FKDC newsletter is complete and posted to the FKDC website. NKF also links to the newsletter via their website. Member ideas to include in next newsletter include highlighting collaboration with local members and promoting the online CEU course. The newsletter will also be included with all updated Community Partner Packets. The next newsletter is not scheduled until fall 2010. This item will remain on the Action Item List as a placeholder.</p> <p>3. Patient Resources. The coalition determined that it would be useful to conduct mailing to providers prior to hurricane season that highlights the patient education materials available via FKDC. The mailing should include the portion of the FKDC/Conditions for Coverage matrix that deals with patient training and education and will list out all patient education materials available on the FKDC website, including those in French and Spanish. The coalition will also send an email version to providers, using Network 7's email distribution list. This email will contain live links to the referenced documents. Additionally, a link to provide feedback and suggestions will be added to the email.</p> <p>Other suggestions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look into possibility of providing resources in larger print for elderly/vision impaired patients. <p>4. Follow-up with Community Partner Packet (CPP) for utility companies. Mr. Cranston continued to follow-up with recipients of the Community Partner Packet and assisted in</p>	<p>Discussion for the upcoming newsletters included the Hurricane Katrina 5-year anniversary, National Preparedness month, and a history of FKDC.</p> <p>Send patient resources to providers prior to Hurricane Season – send via mail and email</p> <p>Convert some of the important patient resources to large print.</p> <p>Discussion for community partners also included water companies to be contacted.</p>	<p>Sally Gore/Sherilyn Burris</p> <p>Sally Gore/Sherilyn Burris</p> <p>Sally Gore/Sherilyn Burris</p> <p>Sherilyn Burris / Sally Gore</p>
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	<p>recruiting a representative from Lakeland Electric, John Adkinson, who attended the meeting. He has also been in talks with Progress Energy. Mr. Cranston noted that it can be hard to get to the right person in large, multi-state organizations. However, he reported that feedback regarding the packet was favorable and updated information for the current year would be useful. An updated CPP will be sent to the five largest electric providers in the state; Mr. Cranston will assist in reviewing the contact list for any updates.</p> <p>Mr. Adkinson noted that he what interested him in the CPP was an increased awareness of ESRD patient needs and the need to communicate with providers regarding restoration status. In Lakeland, where there are 2 ESRD providers, he will be sending out representatives to visit the providers and make contact.</p> <p>Mr. Adkinson will also be attending the Florida Municipal Electric Association meeting on March 4, 2010 and would like to provide CPP's for the counties represented at the meeting. He will email Ms. Gore the counties that will be represented.</p> <p>5. Conduct dialysis meetings in Pinellas County. Ms. Blackburn noted that the contact with Pinellas Emergency Management had changed again. She provided the new contact with an updated list of providers in the county and discussed provider needs in an emergency. An Emergency Management meeting for providers and other community stakeholders was scheduled for March 23, 2010. Ms. Gore provided her with a CPP packet for the electric company that will be attending the meeting. Mr. Cranston offered to make contact with the representative after the meeting to discuss best practices.</p>	<p>Linda Carroll provided a name of a water quality specialist at FMC who may be interested in working with us on making partnerships with water companies.</p> <p>Additional contacts for community partners might include city mayors, Catholic Charities, Volunteer Florida, the Red Cross. There was discussion of developing a template letter that facilities or patients could send to their local elected officials.</p>	<p>Sherilyn Burris</p>
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	<p>6. Conduct dialysis meetings in Miami-Dade County. Ms. Kreuter coordinated with Miami-Dade and Broward counties to host a CPP in March. CPPs were distributed to the emergency managers present, as well as to the electric utility represented. Other attendees at the meeting included ESRD and transplant providers, the South Florida Hospital Association, emergency management, police, fire, ambulance and transportation.</p> <p>7. All-Hazards Educational Series. Ms. Burris provided an update on the 2010 All-Hazards Educational Series. The pre-quiz was sent via faxblast and 95 facilities returned the quiz (there were more total quizzes received, as there were some facilities in which multiple staff members completed the quiz). Ms. Carroll noted that, although the coalition is active in many counties, there are still many others that have not been reached. The group discussed the fact that it was important to continue providing outreach and education to providers and emergency management in all counties, to keep them aware of FKDC and the needs of the kidney community. The group discussed the fact that they would like to know which providers had reached out to emergency management (per the Conditions) and if they were successful. Ms. Burris suggested that a poll be included on the post-quiz to the All-Hazards Series, which will be distributed statewide. The poll could ask if the facility had made contact and who their contact was. Additionally, it could provide some brief information on how to find the local emergency management contact (website). Included poll question in "All Hazards 2" regarding facility/emergency management communication on All-Hazards post-quiz. Report out on results at next meeting.</p>	<p>Included a question regarding facility/emergency management communication on All-Hazards post-quiz. Report out on results at next meeting.</p> <p>Continue with the All-Hazards series. Follow-up with participants answering questions incorrectly</p>	<p>Sherilyn Burris</p> <p>Sherilyn Burris</p>
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Open Discussion	There was discussion about creating a template letter for patients	Members are encouraged to	Sherilyn Burris

	to carry with them regarding going to dialysis treatments after a curfew. Participants on the call expressed an interest in having the patient lavender ID cards reprinted.	share their templates or sample letters over the listserv.	
Adjournment	The next meeting will be in-person.	Send minutes & save the date	Sally Gore