

Oklahoma State Department of Health
“Best Practices Medical Directors Subcommittee”
Long Term Care Subcommittee to the OK Health Care QI Advisory Committee

Meeting # 6
Wednesday, June 10, 2009
Oklahoma City, OK
Minutes

1. **Called to order** at 2:30 PM by Chair
2. **Introductions:** Subcommittee members, guests, Department of Health staff.
3. **Opening remarks:** Chair inquired as to who had received meeting notice and agenda by e-mail. All had except for one member who does not have internet access. Chair announced that all future communications will be done by e-mail while one member without e-mail will receive his by US Post.
4. **Review of Minutes of meeting #5**, February 11, 2000. Motion to accept was seconded and unanimously accepted.
5. **Oklahoma Health Care Quality Improvement Advisory Committee**
 - 5.1 Next meeting pending arrival of new Commissioner of Health, Dr Terry Cline. When known, the date of that meeting will be forwarded to subcommittee members. Reiterated that the meetings are open to subcommittee members.
 - 5.2 **Transitions in Care:** this is an important issue, part of which is CMS desire to decrease hospital readmissions. It is envisioned that the LTC Subcommittee will need to interact with the hospital and home care subcommittee in order to better address hospital readmissions. (from home and LTC SNFs and NFs)
 - 5.3 **The following surveys were brought to the attention of subcommittee members:**
 - Interdisciplinary Report. A Survey of Long-Term Care Health Professionals. Managed Care Digest Services. 2008. available at www.managedcaredigest.com. (Results of a survey completed by medical directors, pharmacists, directors of nursing and nurse practitioners that examined contemporary issues that affect the work of health care professionals in the LTC setting)
 - 2008 National Survey of Consumers and Workforce Satisfaction in Nursing Homes. My InnerView. Available at www.myinnerview.com. (Contained some information on Oklahoma as a pay-for-performance state for nursing home care).
 - 5.4 Also brought to attention was the Center to Advance Palliative Care report “Improving Palliative Care in Nursing Homes”.2008. (Palliative care initiatives/programs in the LTC setting are part of the puzzle to improving care quality).

6. Distributed copy of letter to be sent by to the OK Department of Health to all of Oklahoma's nursing facilities' medical directors informing them of the various quality initiatives in the State related to SNFs and NFs.

7. OFMQ Update of CMS 9th Scope of Work (Lisa Bewley)

- 7.1 **Physical restraints:** has decreased from 11.6% (3 Q 2003) to 5.3% (4 Q 2008). Ranking decreased to 40th (4 state tie) from 49th.
- 7.2 **Pressure Ulcers:** has decreased from 15.9 (3 Q 2003) to 14.6% (4 Q 2008). Remaining 48th
- 7.3 Review of Pressure Ulcer Focus Project
- 33 facilities picked who had pressure ulcer prevalence of 20% or greater for 6 months over a 12 month period
 - Project has hired wound care specialist to work with these nursing facilities
- 7.4 Review and distribution of "SOS" (Save Oklahoma's Skin)
Tool kit for Pressure Ulcer Prevention and Treatment (Melissa Hill)
- Aim: current, usable across all health care settings
Available at www.ofmq.com
It was commented (Andrea Pogue) that content should be incorporated into LPN and NA trainings at Oklahoma's VOTECHs.

8. Oklahoma QM/QI data (Dorya Huser)

- Comparative data for CMS Region VI should be available by next subcommittee meeting.

9. Oklahoma Pressure Ulcer Coalition

- Coalition has helped promote "skin fairs" across Oklahoma.
- Coordinator: Marietta Lynch
- Convener: Oklahoma Hospital Association

10. Best Practices

Dr. Qayyum presented a power point on how Meadow Lakes is using QM/QI data for quality improvement in their facility. Brief and enthusiastic discussion ensued. Most important issue is consistent assignment of nurse aides and recognize participation of nurse aides in the process of quality improvement.

11. Other Business

11.1 Long Term Care Provider Training

Oklahoma City, OK June 23rd & 24th presented by Peter Winn, MD, CMD
Tulsa, OK - July 22nd & 23rd presented by Jean Root, DO, CMD

11.2 Ongoing Career Ladder training by Department of Health (Dorya Huser and Jim Buck)

11.3 OHCA Focus on Excellence (Cassell Lawson) Report pending

11.4 OHCA Money Follows the Person program called "Living Choice" in Oklahoma, has had program extended by CMS from 2011 to 2013.

11.5 Brief mention made of "Project 2020: Fulfilling the Promise of the Older Americans Act" (Ester Houser). E-mail copy of draft project was sent to subcommittee chair. Available at website of the National Association of States Units on Aging (NSAUA)

12. Next meeting will be scheduled after the next meeting of the Commissioners of Health QI Advisory Committee, likely in the fall.
13. Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

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