

**Hillsborough HATS**  
**Services and Cross-System Relationship-Building Workgroup Conference Call**  
**Wednesday Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 4:30 – 5:15**

On the call: Lynn Ringenberg, Joanne Angel, Julie Perez, Janet Hess, Judy Rosenberg, Danny Plasencia, Joane White, Marybeth Palmigiano

Dr. Ringenberg opened the call at 4:35pm.

**Medical Advisory Committee:**

Janet Hess, Drs. Plasencia, Schnapf and Ringenberg (from our work group) attended the first Florida Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) for Health Care Transition Meeting. MAC is comprised of approximately 25 health care providers from throughout the state. The MAC provides guidance in identifying best practices, establishing quality of care guidelines, implementing medical education and training, developing service networks that span pediatric and adult systems, and advocating for public policy that supports effective health care transition.

The meeting was very energetic, there was very good discussion and enthusiasm and sharing of ideas. There is a lot of potential for collaboration between Florida Pediatric Society and Florida Medical Association.

Janet posted the meeting minutes on the HATS website [www.floridahats.org](http://www.floridahats.org) under Medical Advisory Committee. Please review when you can.

**Ways to Communicate with Peers:**

- Marybeth sent a draft by email on Jan 12<sup>th</sup> of an article written by Dr. Ringenberg for the Hillsborough Community Medical Association. Please review and send comments back to Marybeth no later than Feb 11<sup>th</sup>. All HillsboroughHATS physicians will be listed on the article.
- Joanne Angel is distributing the FloridaHATS handouts to the Peds community.
- Marybeth to ask Dr. Woodard about having students disseminate materials as part of their rotations. We could do an in-service to educate the students on the transition program.
- Marybeth will contact HealthPoint about disseminating materials and get a contact for an insurer who might be willing to help with distribution in exchange for our Insurance Brochure.
- Dr. Ringenberg will contact the HCMA to ask about attending and distributing materials at their next dinner meeting. Hillsborough County Medical Association attracts several hundred people.

**Care Coordination**

- Care coordination is a big piece and it's not paid for. Medicare HMOs pay for care managers. Could we work with the HMOs to do joint case management?
- Hillsborough County ½ cent sales tax –where is the money going. We need to look into whether the money can be used for care coordination.

- Joane White will serve as a phone triage to provide information to both consumers and providers – and, most likely, direct them to the Young Adult Services Directory. She cannot, however, be a dedicated resource/coordinator, as she has other job responsibilities. We will do it on a trial basis. Julie Perez and Joanne Angel will create a draft announcement to share with the rest of the group.

#### **Florida HATS web-based service directory:**

- Daniel Plasencia checked the Service Directory and determined that most do not take transition kids.
  - USF Med Peds does take transition patients.
  - Fed qualified health center takes transition patients.
- Janet clarified that the directory is helpful for the wide variety of patients served. Some clinicians may take less severe cases.

#### **Funding**

- Marybeth Palmigiano will look into the HCMA Foundation
- Dr. Ringenberg sent a funding announcement to Marybeth and Janet from the American Board of Internal Medicine Foundation. Marybeth will look into it.

#### **Action Items:**

**All** – Review HCMA article send comments by Feb 11. Review MAC minutes

**Julie Perez and Joanne Angel** – create a draft announcement to share with the rest of the group regarding transition triage service. Look into Vista print for announcements.

**Janet Hess** – Send list of physicians in the workgroup as well as the full coalition to Dr. Ringenberg.

**Dr. Ringenberg** – Contact HCMA about attending their next meeting. Look into ½ cent tax money

**Marybeth Palmigiano** - Contact HealthPoint about disseminating materials and get a contact for an insurer who might be willing to help with distribution in exchange for our Insurance Brochure.

Look into funding opportunities from HCMA and American Board of Internal Medicine Foundation.

Contact Dr. Woodard about med students

Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

Next meeting TBA

***Thanks everyone for all your dedication and help with this important program!***