



Agenda Item 2

Access to Care Committee

Embassy Suites
Union Square/Ghirardelli Rooms
250 Gateway Boulevard
South San Francisco, CA 94080

July 26, 2007

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 Call to Order

Dr. Gitnick called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm. Roll was taken. A quorum was present and notice had been sent to all interested parties.

Members Present:

Steve Alexander, Co-Chair
Gary Gitnick, M.D., Co-Chair
Hedy Chang
Shelton Duruisseau, Ph.D.
Gerrie Schipske, R.N.P., J.D.
Barbara Yaroslavsky
Frank V. Zerunyan, J.D.

Agenda Item 2 Approval of Minutes of April 26, 2007 meeting

It was M/S/C to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2007, Access to Care meeting.

Agenda Item 3 Presentation by Rebecca Hafner-Fogarty, MD, MBA, Medical Director, Minute Clinic

Ms. Chang introduced Becki Hafner, M.D., who is the Medical Director of Minute Clinic. Minute Clinic is a retail-based health care provider, offering affordable, convenient, and accessible health care. Their centers are staffed by board-certified nurse practitioners and physician assistants who specialize in family healthcare and are trained to diagnose and treat patients for common illnesses and to offer common vaccinations. Dr. Hafner made a presentation to the Committee.

Committee members asked questions about the level of care and the organization of the business.

Agenda Item 4 Proposed Mission Statement – Mr. Alexander/Dr. Gitnick

Following discussion at the previous Committee meeting, staff had modified the Committee's proposed Mission Statement. M/S/C to adopt the Mission Statement.

**Agenda Item 5 Diabetes Prevention and Management Initial Workgroup Draft Plan –
Dr. Fantozzi**

Dr. Fantozzi reported that he serves as the Board's representative to the Governor's Task Force on Diabetes Prevention and Management, together with representatives from over 25 other major stakeholders of diabetes management. The Task Force has completed its work and in the agenda packet is a copy of the chronic care model, which will be presented to the Governor. And, while this one project is complete, Dr. Fantozzi reassured that diabetes care is an ongoing issue, and he will stay involved.

**Agenda Item 6 California Physician Workforce Roundtable: Meeting Summary –
Dr. Gitnick**

Dr. Gitnick reported on his participation in the Governor's Physician Workforce Workgroup. This group met in April to consider California's physician workforce needs and long-term strategies, which would address the estimated need of up to 17,000 additional physicians in California. A summary of the meeting discussion is in the agenda packet.

Dr. Gitnick also mentioned that the Governor directed Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to convene a Healthcare Workforce Diversity Advisory Council. The first meeting was attended by Ms. Chang who gave a brief report from the meeting. Committee members were invited to the two meetings still to be held.

Agenda Item 7 Report on meeting regarding Best Practices Model – Dr. Fantozzi

Through his involvement in the diabetes area, the Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) asked Dr. Fantozzi to get the Board involved in identifying best practices models. Specifically, they wanted to explore how a best practice models might work at a specific medical group to give some direction to DMHC in setting up their contracts with HMOs.

Dr. Fantozzi reported that he brought together WellPoint (Blue Cross/Blue Shield) and Mercy Hospitals to see if they would be interested in undertaking a pilot program. The outline for a pilot program would include a larger, multi-specialty group – possibly 100+ doctors – that currently is not doing a chronic care management plan. It would give them a plan, which has been developed, ask them to participate and evaluate it, with the goal being to start developing chronic care models for other disease entities. At the end of the meeting, the various partners indicated that they would consider what internal procedures would be needed to allow this project to move forward.

Dr. Fantozzi indicated that he would like to use the Board's list of volunteer physicians in this project.

Agenda Item 8 Telemedicine Pilot, AB 329 – Dr. Fantozzi

Dr. Fantozzi reported he would like the Board to continue moving forward with telemedicine pilot programs. He stated he believes this has always been within the authority of the Board in carrying out its mission of consumer protection and that AB 329 clarifies this interpretation.

Agenda Item 9 Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Tara Kittle, health care consumer, suggested the Board consider using guidelines to ensure that the clinics meet their qualifications and expressed concern over the idea of free health care for people who are unable to pay.

There being no further public comment, the meeting was adjourned.

