Minutes

PCCM Respiratory Health Subcommittee

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Participants:			
Vince Keenan	Joel Massel	Mary Miller (HFS)	Adair Galster (McK)
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Maureen Damitz			Caryn Jacobi (McK)
Helen Margellos			
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Jennifer Fabian				
Discussion items				
Item	Notes			
YHP Updates	 Group reviewed sample of quarterly patient summary. Ted Naureckas questioned if inhalers or other medications given in the hospital would be picked up? YHP will look into this further, but we believe the logic is set to look for specific pharmacy claims. Goal is to reduce rates for IP admits and ED visits where possible. Vince noted and Rick agreed that while 0% is not the end goal, there is still room for improvement. The group asked about situations where a "false positive" may be encountered in the data. This does happen due to historical claims data where a diagnosis may have been miscoded. Quarterly patient summaries will now be made available on the provider portal. The provider portal is accessible through the HFS provider site, MEDI. To register for or utilize MEDI, please go to the link below: http://www.myhfs.illinois.gov/gettingstarted.html Bi-annual mailing is set to be mailed soon to the entire YHP eligible population. The focus of this piece is Depression. 			
COPD Statewide Initiative	 Maureen provided an update. The plan was distributed to all legislators for review. The group has not met in awhile, but future meetings are currently being planned. Many other states are looking at IL as a model for their programs. YHP has released several CME modules, including one in particular on COPD. Link is shown below: Website: www.yhplus.com 			
Updates from Key Stakeholders	 Helen Margellos: Program was funded by IDPH and originally had six locations. The number of locations has been reduced to five now. Through the end of June, they had enrolled 453 children. About 200 of these children have had their six month follow-up assessments. ~20% lost to follow-up rate Program includes 3-4 visits over a six month period by Lay Community Educators. Outcomes are looking similar to previously seen at Sinai pilot. Improved quality of life scores and reduced ED rates. Funding currently goes through end of December 2008. A proposal has been submitted for future funding. Joel Massel Gadget seminar was held in April and included ~200 people. Disparities conference is planned for October 8th at IIT. This will include local and national speakers. Data conference is scheduled for November 18th at University Center. The agenda includes a lot of great speakers. Report from last year's appropriate is pour posted on the website. 			

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	 The Asthma Friendly School Program is continuing to grow. CPS is now funding. CAC website is growing with about 120,000 hits per year. This includes a link to YHP and the CME modules. Maureen Damitz Cruising for COPD was held on June 17th. Two boats went out and included about 500 people total. This was an educational and social event. Great success! Respiratory Rally scheduled for November 5th. More information coming soon. The Addressing Asthma in Englewood project continues. They are overenrolled with 317 enrollees. Good outcomes to date, but also a 20% lost to follow-up rate. Very high 40% mobility rate makes this difficult. Vince Keenan Vince noted that seven CME modules are now available on the website (see above). If you are interested in in-office training, please contact Vince Keenan.
	We will meet on a semi-annual basis moving forward, rather than quarterly.
Meeting Logistics	The group agreed the 12pm time slot worked better for the meeting. We will stick with this for the next meeting.
Next committee meeting	Anticipated for January/February 2009