Advisory Council on Palliative Care

Minutes
Friday, June 13, 2014
10:00 AM
Connecticut Hospital Association
110 Barnes Road, Wallingford, CT

Present:

Lori Griffin, DPH (on behalf of Wendy Furniss); Colleen Mulkerin, Hartford Hospital; Patricia Trotta, VNAHC; Diana Cameron, VNA Community Healthcare; Barbara Morrison, YNHH-SRC; Joe Andrews, CT Hospice; James Prota, CT Hospice; Karen Mulvihill, Danbury Hospice/HPNA

Public: Natalie Cullen, American Cancer Society (on behalf of Bryte Johnson)

- I. Minutes Approved
 - a. Karen Mulvihill motioned to approve; Barbara Morrison seconded the motion.
- II. Topics for discussion
 - Goals and Objectives
 - a. Goals and Objectives- Barbara Morrison provided a form
 - Analyze the current state of Palliative Care in CT
 - Advise the Department of Public Health
 - Identify and clarify "best practice" standards
 - Support the MOLST project
 - Research and provide a brochure
 - Identify and provide educational opportunities
 - Provide public forums

b. Suggestions

- Have sub-groups to address certain objectives
- Formulate some questions prior to having round table discussion with American Cancer Society; Colleen will send info as to how we can facilitate providing questions to group
- Suspend July and August meetings and continue to work on projects.
 Convene in September and October on the second Friday. November's meeting to be held on the first Friday (11/7/14)
- Attempt to schedule future meetings at the LOB

- c. Assignments (sub-groups)
 - Karen, Patricia, Barbara and Diane will ask Tracy to create a survey using survey monkey
 - Patricia will send some data to be used as a starting point
 - Patricia and Karen will work on Analysis
 - Barbara and Colleen will work on education- CT Coalition, Qualidigm, CT Council Partnership, CAC, Hospitals, etc....
 - Colleen will research and connect with other states who are working on this and get recommendations
 - Karen will get CAPSE data
 - Lori will provide Colleen with contact information for Mag Marelli, Leading Age, and Matt Barrett, CAHCF
 - Colleen will reach out to absent members and keep them informed
 - James will help with the myths in collaboration with Barbara
 - Grisel will work on adding minutes to the web page and forward link to members. As well as reserve a hearing room at the LOB for future meetings

III. Public comment/Misc.

- a. Natalie Cullen from the American Cancer Society was present and informed us that the meetings can either be held at their office or at a location of our choice.
- b. Colleen will call Bryte Johnson from the American Cancer Society to discuss a meeting date and location.
- IV. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am by Chair Mulkerin.