

MARYLAND COMMISSION ON KIDNEY DISEASE
Thursday April 25, 2013
4201 Patterson Avenue
Room 108-109

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SESSION

The Public Meeting of the Commission on Kidney Disease was held on Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 4201 Patterson Avenue. Vice Chairman William Frederick called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. In attendance, in addition to Vice Chairman Frederick, were Commissioners' Dr. Kulwant Modi, Dr. Edward Kraus, Dr. Paul Light, James Stankovic, Belinda Lindsay and Kim Sylvester, R.N.

Commission Staff present: Donna Adcock, RN, Surveyor.

Commission Counsel present: Leslie Schulman, AAG

DHMH staff present: Maria Bayer, RN, June Bowman, RN, Yvonne Brown Henley, RN, Surveyors from the Office of Health Care Quality(OHCQ); Barbara Fagan, OHCQ Program Manager; and Carol Manning, Chief from KDP.

Guests present:

Christine Wright, WMHC
Renee Bova-Collis, MARC
Pam Earll, Davita
Yolette Cox, Bon Secours
Chris Simon, IDF
Gloria Pittman, ARA

Jessica Quintillan, NKF
Brandy Vinson, MARC
Susan Leon, Bon Secours
Andreas Katsiaras, Sonofi
Lisa Lubomski, JHU

**I. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SESSION OF
January 24, 2013**

Dr. Kraus motioned to approve the Public Minutes from the January 24th session; Mr. Stankovic seconded the motion and the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2013 Public Session.

**II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF
January 24, 2013**

Mrs. Adcock read the executive session minutes. Mrs. Schulman noted a typo under Item I. Dr. Light motioned to approve the corrected Executive Session Minutes from the January 24th session; Dr. Kraus seconded the motion and the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2013 Executive Session.

III. VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Frederick welcomed everyone to the meeting. He commented on the Boston Marathon Bombing and noted how the healthcare community was highlighted in the tragedy.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Medical Orders for Life Sustaining Treatments www.marylandmolst.org

Mrs. Adcock reported that the MOLST regulations would be effective July 1st. She directed the guests' attention to the attachment and article in the Commission Newsletter. Discussion ensued. Questions regarding forms for existing patients and annual reviews were discussed. Mr. Simon reported that the MOLST website contained training information.

B. Changes to the OHCQ Regulation

Ms. Fagan reported that a transmittal was mailed to the providers alerting them to the changes which include care plan timelines, nocturnal hemodialysis regulations and emergency procedures. She noted that the updates are not yet available from State documents but are available on the OHCQ's website. The regulations became effective February 18, 2013.

C. Pilot Study to Reduce Bloodstream Infections

Dr. Lubomski reported that the study has been approved by the Johns Hopkins IRB. There have been two conference calls and recruitment materials have been mailed twice but not a lot of interest has been generated. She noted that one facility is interested and ready to start but they are looking for a total of 10 facilities. Dr. Lubomski stated that if not enough facilities are interested the study may fold. The study is funded through October 2013 but may be extended if needed. Discussion ensued.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Kidney Disease Program - Stats and Budget

Ms. Manning presented the KDP statistics and budget. She reported that as of April 15, 2013 Keith Sewell is the new Executive Director. He is expected to attend the July Commission meeting.

B. Network Report Brandy Vinson and Renee Bova-Collis

Ms. Bova-Collis reported on the Network's Learning and Action Networks, Quality Improvement activities and complaints. She noted that five facilities would be selected to participate in a quality improvement activity regarding grievances.

Ms. Vinson reported on the Health Care Acquired Learning and Action Network. Discussion ensued regarding infections related to patients with long term catheters including uninsured patients who may be unable to have a permanent access placed. She reported on upcoming webinars offered by the Network and noted that information on Network educational activities is available on the Network's website. Ms. Vinson noted that the Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare reports were released. These reports are based on Medicare claims data. Discussion ensued.

C. Commission Newsletter

Mrs. Adcock directed the guests' attention to the attachment. Dr. Modi motioned to approve Commission Newsletter for distribution and Mrs. Sylvester second the motion and the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Newsletter.

D. Citation Free Surveys

Mr. Frederick commended the following facilities on their citation free surveys:

- Davita Middlebrook
- Johns Hopkins Harriet Lane Kidney Center
- Davita Carroll County

E. New Facility

Mr. Frederick reported that the following facility has been certified by the Commission:

- Davita PG County South -10/24/12

F. Categories of Complaints

Mr. Frederick noted that the following types of complaints have been received by the Commission since last meeting:

- Written
 - Anonymous complaint regarding facility staffing
 - Facility complaints regarding patient behavior
 - Patient complaint regarding home therapies (PD) care

- Verbal
 - Physician discharge of patients from care
 - Patient complaint regarding bugs at a facility
 - Complaint regarding facility staffing
 - Complaint regarding KDP application backlog
 - Patient complaint regarding lack of transportation
 - Patient complaint regarding staff tardiness

G. Commission Approval/Disapproval for KDP Out of State Transplant Reimbursement

The following hospital has requested and been granted out of state transplant approvals:

Hospital	Granted	Refused
Washington Hospital Center	2	0

H. Surveys (25)

For informational purposes, the Commission shared the results of their Survey Findings Deficiency Report for the past quarter. Mr. Frederick noted that infection control and personnel qualifications/staffing categories continue to be the most cited areas of concern. Mrs. Adcock reported on some infection control observations and personnel qualification/staffing findings including treatments not delivered according to physician prescription.

Citations

Compliance with Federal, State and Local Laws and Regulations	0
Infection Control	16
Water and Dialysate Quality	2
Reuse of Hemodialyzers/Bloodlines	1
Physical Environment	5
Patient Rights	0
Patient Assessment	1
Patient Plans of Care	4
Care at Home	1
Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement	1
Laboratory/Affiliation Guidelines	0
Personnel Qualifications/Staffing	16
Responsibilities of the Medical Director	0
Medical Records	1
Governance	2

I. Surveys Completed (25)

The following facilities have been surveyed since the last meeting:

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| Davita BelAir | FMC Washington |
| Davita Northwest | Davita Catonsville |
| JH Harriet Lane | Good Samaritan – Manor Care |
| Davita Howard County | Davita Chestertown |
| FMC Hyattsville | Davita Dundalk |
| Davita Bowie | IDF Parkview |
| Davita Selim Downtown | FMC Greater Baltimore |
| Davita Catonsville | Davita Middlebrook |

Davita Seton Dr.
Western MD Hospital Dialysis
FMC Ft. Washington
Davita Rockville
Davita Carroll County

RCP Prince Frederick
FMC Hagerstown
FMC Dundalk
Good Samaritan Cromwell

Late Additions to the Agenda:

Senate Bill 512- Passed Enrolled

Ms. Neville, Legislative Specialist reported on S.B. 512 (entitled Health Care Practitioners—Identification Badge), which passed during the 2013 legislative session but has not yet been signed into law. The Act would require that healthcare practitioners, when providing health care to a patient, wear a badge or other identification. Discussion ensued. Ms. Schulman noted that the new law authorizes each health occupations board to adopt regulations and to handle reported violations. The effective date is October 1, 2013. Ms. Neville will inform the Commission when the Bill is signed by the Governor.

NKF Scientific Session 2013

Mr. Simon introduced Jessica Quintillan, Maryland NKF, Director of Programs and Advocacy. He noted that the Scientific Session would be held on May 9th and an informational flyer was available for guests.

There being no further public business, upon motion made by Commissioner Dr. Modi and seconded by Dr. Light, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the Public Session at 3:15 pm.