

Prevention & Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease Update

April 17, 2014

1. Overview of the Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) Prevention and Control Program:
 - a. Funding: CDC for the State Public Health Actions to Prevent and Control Diabetes, Heart Disease, Obesity and Associated Risk Factors and Promote School Health
 - b. Key Partners: Nevada Primary Care Association, HealthInsight, Inc., American Heart Association and members of the Heart & Stroke Workgroup.
 - c. Key Strategies/Activities in Heart & Stroke prevention/management – List the top strategies and activities the program are pushing forth to meet the mission and vision of the program
 - i. Focus is prevention of CVD by screening and detecting those individuals with hypertension who are undiagnosed. The main focus is on the clinical setting to ensure the screening protocols are in place which flag for follow-up individuals with high blood pressure reading within one month. Also focusing on correct procedure to taking BP measurement. The other focus is on clinical integration for control of those with HBP along with reporting NQF #18 which is a Stage 2 Meaningful Use indicator for *the percentage of patients 18 to 85 years of age who had a diagnosis of hypertension (HTN) and whose blood pressure (BP) was adequately controlled (<140/90) during the measurement year.*
 - ii. Social Entrepreneurs, Inc. (SEI) will facilitate and plan a Gap Needs Assessment to address CDC grant priority strategy #4 - to initiate activities that promote clinical innovations and team based care for patients with hypertension. A consultant will work with members of the Heart and Stroke workgroup to identify stakeholders to conduct a statewide clinical services gap assessment.
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 1. Promote understanding of the opportunities and gaps in services related to heart disease prevention and management, i.e., appropriate protocols for screening for hypertension among those currently undiagnosed.
 2. Identify reasons consumers are not using information and barriers to practitioners to provide patient information as well as barriers to access of care.
 3. Develop a 3-5 year strategic plan for prevention, treatment and management of CVD.
2. Discussion of next steps for the Advisory Committee of Stroke and Heart Disease
 - a. March 4, 2014 sunset of the committee since a quorum of member was not being established for meetings to take place. The work of the group will continue. The Heart and Stroke Advisory members have been invited to continue to meet as a workgroup. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 28th 11:30am-12:30pm. All others

that would like to be part of the workgroup please contact Marjorie Franzen-Weiss, MPH, CHES, Program Coordinator at maweiss@health.nv.gov or call (775) 684-4231.

- b. Arthritis Advisory Committee was sunset as well. Arthritis initiatives will need to be included under the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease as appropriate.
3. Explanation of Gap Needs Assessment that will take place and Strategic Plan of program/activities/efforts
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