

MACVPR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 13, 2006

Attendees: Preeti Benjamin, MACVPR President, Pam Peitz, MACVPR Vice President, Kristen Fletcher, MACVPR Secretary, Debra Lund, Linda Price, Cecily Ludka, Jo Ann Kim

- I. Preeti opened the meeting my welcoming and congratulating the new officers for June 2006- 2008.
Preeti Benjamin – President, 1 year
Pam Peitz - Vice President and President Elect
Marybeth Daniels – Treasurer
Kristen Fletcher – Secretary

- II. March, 2006 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved

- III. Bus/Van Rental to September 2006 National AACVPR Conference:
 - a. Currently 19 members showed interest in taking a bus/van to the conference. Kristen Fletcher is to send another email asking for member's verbal confirmation by 7/1/06 and a \$50 refundable deposit sent to MACVPR, P.O. Box 903, Glen Burnie, MD 21060. by 8/1/06 that will be returned to the member when the bus departs for the conference. The fees of the bus are free to members. It will leave from Baltimore-Washington Hospital Center at 10:00 am on Weds, September 13, 2006 and make one pick up stop at Washington County Hospital in Hagerstown for those members in Western Maryland, in addition to lunch and bathroom stops. The bus will return after the conference closes on Sunday, September 17, 2006. If there are not enough deposits by the 8/1/06 deadline, the bus will not be rented. If the bus is not rented members will be notified via email and refunded the deposit.

- IV. Business meeting dates and times were discussed for the next year. It was discussed how to get more people to attend. The evening meetings are less attended unless it is a dinner meeting. It was decided to continue meeting at Baltimore-Washington Medical Center as a central location for the majority of program. Meeting dates and times are as follows: The September 12th, 2006 meeting will be cancelled and take place at that National AACVPR meeting that week in Charleston, WV. Meeting dates for 2007 are as follows:
 - a. January 9, 2007 – Business Meeting 9:30, Baltimore-Washington Hospital Center

- b. April 17, 2007 – MACVPR annual Spring Conference – Holiday Inn, Timonium, MD.
 - c. June 12, 2007 – Business Meeting 9:30, Baltimore-Washington Hospital Center
 - d. September 11, 2007 – Business Meeting, 9:30 am, Baltimore-Washington Hospital Center.
 - e. November 7, 2007 – Annual Dinner meeting. Tentative Topic: Pulmonary Hypertension.
- V. 2006 Spring Conference
- a. Preeti thanked everyone involved in the Spring Conference, especially Linda Price, Chair and Pam Peitz, Co-Chair for all of the hard work, time and effort that went into the event. 78 people attended the conference this year. Based on the conference evaluations completed by the attendees, the speakers scored from 88%-100% and the overall conference was rated 88%. Most of the “3’s” were in regards to food and facility. Discussion regarding improvements for next year’s conference took place. It was also decided to end the conference earlier, as people leave early to beat traffic. The meeting in 2007 will be from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm.
 - b. Re-imburement was discussed for the Chair of the conference committee to receive \$600 towards the National AACVPR conference in addition to the officers; due to the amount of work and time it takes to plan the conference. The majority voted to approve re-imburement this year and to vote again for next year at a meeting when more members are present.
 - c. Cecily Ludka, agreed to assist Linda Price and Pam Peitz with the 2007 Spring Conference by being the point person for the non-profit vendors.
- VI. AHA and ACC release Guidelines for Management of PAD
- VII. JCR magazine is on line
- VIII. AHA: Recently released article showing the benefits of Cardiac Rehab
- IX. Clever Trial
- X. OUTCOMES: Presented by Jo Ann Kim, Doctor’s Community Hospital
- a. Jo Ann Kim – provided thorough research on the variety of outcome measures that are being used by Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehab programs. The tools were reviewed and discussed regarding cost, reliability, reading level, and timeliness to complete. Discussion took place regarding what tools could be used collaboratively by programs within Maryland to develop a database of outcomes for the State of Maryland to defend and support all of the positive things we are doing for our patients. It was discussed to follow the AACVPR standards for program certification and use outcomes that fall under categories for Health, Functional, Behavioral and Clinical. Such as, Pre, Post and % change using Quality of life tool such as the SF-36 as well as METS, BMI and Dietary. More discussion needs to take place regarding what tools the majority of programs are using, who would collect the data and how to get as many programs involved as possible to comply with the data collection.