

**TCD Professional Education – Stroke Subgroup
Conference Call: December 15, 2010; 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

TCD Professional Education External Leads: Eddie Spain and Carol Beal

TCD Professional Education Internal Leads: Belinda Heimericks and Karen Connell

Those Participating: Carol Beal, Jo Ann Burns, Chris Byrd, Karen Connell, Rose Donnelly, Cindy Gillam, Belinda Heimericks, Emily Hollis, Kathleen Henderson, Melissa Hunter, Melinda Pennington, Dwight Jones, Regine Pollite, Eddie Spain, Kelly Thomas.

Opening

Eddie Spain welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for participating in today's conference call. He reminded the workgroup that they received two handouts. Emily Hollis attached the handouts to a December 10 email sent to the listserv reminding everyone of this conference call and call-in number.

Eddie announced the goal for this conference call was to review, make additions, and edit the handout created from the workgroup's October 25, 2010 meeting. It is a first draft of suggestions related to a resource catalog for TCD Professional Education: Stroke. Eddie stated the group would use the second handout "Guidance for the TCD Stroke Center Resource Catalog" to help identify what details could be included.

Workgroup Participation

The workgroup systematically reviewed each page of their October 25, 2010 document. They added resources, made edits, and discussed ideas. (*December 15, 2010 workgroup edits are attached.*)

Workgroup Discussion

- How can we let users know when the listings were last verified?

It was discussed that listings within the resource catalog may change with time. The workgroup agreed that the Resource Catalog would have one overall date. When an item needed to be edited, a new date could be listed beside that particular item.

- Should we list hospitals and universities that sometimes hold stroke conferences and CE workshops?

(Example discussed was Washington University) Rather than being an open forum to announce an upcoming conference or workshop offerings, the workgroup discussed and decided that the resource catalog should list websites and/or contact details for continuously on-going CE offerings or for regularly scheduled offerings – and only if the sponsor plans their conference or workshop to have the capacity for statewide

participation. (Washington University was discussed as the example, but the workgroup didn't know whether they intend to offer stroke CEs on an ongoing or regular basis)

- Should core competencies identify recommendations for internal hospital-specific training related hospital stroke protocols and standing orders?

The discussion was whether TCD workgroup recommended "core competencies" should include important internal hospital-specific topics whether or not CE could be obtained; or whether TCD workgroup recommended "core competencies" should identify the competency topics related to best practice and guidelines (topics where related CE offerings could apply)?

Consensus was not reached. Belinda agreed to ask for guidance from Dr Muzaffar and report back to the workgroup.

- (Related to above) Should internal hospital-specific training on stroke protocols and standing orders count toward the TCD regulation requirements for CE professional education if it's approved by the hospital's medical director but there was no official review for CEU or CME determination?

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- Kathleen Henderson, St Joseph Medical Center, Kansas City, gave information about the Kansas City area Bi-State Stroke Coalition that offers almost 100 stroke CEs each year. They are currently testing the process to offer all of these CEs statewide by webinar.

Due to a scheduling conflict with the TCD STEMI Workgroup, there was a request to hold future conference calls from 12:00 to 1:00 (instead of 12:30 to 1:30). The workgroup agreed to this change. Future meetings will continue to be scheduled on a mid-month Wednesday.

Next conference call: January 19, 12:00 to 1:00