



CINCINNATI PEDIATRIC RESEARCH GROUP
Minutes of the Meeting
June 25, 2002

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeralyn Bernier, MD, MPH
Anne Marie Fitz, MD
Bruce Lanphear, MD, MPH
Sandy Mendel, MD
Bob Siegel, MD
Phil Walson, MD

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Everyone was reminded of the July 1st Ohio Practice Based Research Network Conference. An effort will be made to develop collaborative projects around the region through the networks.
2. The CPRG research office has moved off the Children's Hospital main campus to 2800 Winslow Avenue (formerly part of Bethesda Oak Hospital). However, for mailing purposes we are still using the Main Campus address of 3333 Burnet Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45229, along with our mail location #7035.
3. Dr. Anne Marie Fitz will be going on maternity leave in July. Dr. Debra Boyd will take her place as PPC representative in the CPRG. Dr. Bernier will also be on maternity leave in late August, and Dr. Siegel will continue as Medical Director for the CPRG. We have attached the active list of CPRG providers so that you all can contact one another as you wish.

II. STUDIES UNDERWAY

1. ADD/ADHD
The first phase of this study is almost complete. We are hoping that we will reach 65% participation through the efforts of a research assistant in Jim Davis' office.
The second phase, involving patient encounters, is going to begin in late summer when the data form is active on the website.
2. PRINS
The PRINS study is proceeding as scheduled, with a few slots open in August. We will start issuing honoraria and vouchers soon. For those who have participated, please **do not** destroy your patient logs. We may need them for future reference until all data are clean and acceptable.

III. NEW/PROPOSED STUDIES

1. Children's Self-Reporting of Asthma Symptoms

Dr. Bruce Lanphear from General and Community Pediatrics Research joined us tonight to discuss the asthma study we will be conducting with the AAP. The AAP is primarily evaluating the age at which child self-reporting of symptoms is meaningful. Dr. Lanphear is currently conducting an asthma study in tobacco exposed households with and without HEPA filtration systems with the objective of improving understanding of the role that environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) plays in asthma. We are interested in and propose a collaboration of the projects, where we evaluate the impact of tobacco exposure on parent and child reporting validity. In this study of 200 asthmatic, 6 to 12 year old subjects, we would hope to recruit approximately 1/3 from Dr. Lanphear's population, and the rest of the study population from our practices. We have some work ahead of us arranging for such collaboration and a unified data collection instrument for our subjects. We would hope to recruit patients widely from the CPRG practices. This study may begin as early as the fall of 2002 as both major arms are already funded.

2. Obesity Study

Drs. Bernier and Mendel are still working on the development of the obesity survey data collection instrument. As Dr. Mendel may be relocating out of the Cincinnati area we are interested in the active study design participation of additional CPRG members. Please call Dr. Bernier or Dr. Siegel if you are interested, or discuss it at the next meeting, August 6th.

3. Surveillance Study

We are awaiting word on approval of our grant proposal to the Agency for HealthCare Research and Quality to set up a symptom surveillance network using handheld computers.

Attachments: CPRG membership list, 7/2002