

CINCINNATI PEDIATRIC RESEARCH GROUP
Minutes of the Meeting
March 13, 2003

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeralyn Bernier, MD, MPH	Camille Graham, MD
Kurt Bofinger, MD	Catherine Hughes, MD
Debra Boyd, MD	Evelyn Joseph, MD
Tom DeWitt, MD	Barb Kenney, MD
Manny Doyne, MD	Bob Siegel, MD

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- Dr. Bernier informed the group about the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant we submitted on February 28, 2003. The project summary was handed out for discussion. Dr. Bernier's role will be Principal Investigator and Dr. Joseph will be the co-investigator. Dr. Graham passed out promotional materials from the Ohio Department of Health regarding healthy feeding of children at various ages. This is an example of something we could use in our toolkit for the obesity project.
- Dr. Siegel mentioned the Ohio PBRN Consortium meeting that will be held in Cleveland on Monday, June 9, 2003. If you are interested in participating, please contact Dr. Siegel at 209-0124 (pager). Representatives will be there from Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton and Toledo to discuss collaborative efforts.
- The Pediatric Academic Societies' annual meeting will be held in Seattle, WA May 3-6, 2003. Posters are being developed for presentation.
- There was discussion about HIPAA training for CPRG practice members. There is a website that has a module for training of researchers -- we could link this to the CPRG website. Dr. Siegel handed out some materials from the AAP and PROS that we could customize and use regarding human research protections responsibilities of unaffiliated investigators.
- Dr. Siegel attended Dayton's PBRN meeting this month. Dayton has 10 practices committed to the group and a representative from each practice was in attendance. They've been piloting the otitis media pain card that was passed out at last July's Ohio PBRN Consortium Conference held here at Children's, and will also be doing PRINS I and II. Dayton's PBRN is interested in David McCormick's Otitis Media study.

II. STUDIES UNDERWAY

1. OM Follow-up
 - The follow-up survey is now in the field and data is coming in. If you received a follow-up survey or patient chart review forms, we would like to remind you to get those in to us as quickly as possible.
2. ADD/ADHD
 - We are wrapping up the patient encounter portion of this project. Dr. Doyne is doing a poster presentation for the community survey at the PAS in May.

3. AAP Asthma Study

- A kick-off dinner is being planned for the month of April. We would like one representative from each practice attending to hear more about this project and meet the research assistants that will be involved. We hope to have personnel from AAP attending this meeting.

III. DEVELOPING STUDIES

1. Obesity Study

- As stated above, the RWJF grant has been submitted and we are waiting to hear if it has been accepted. The purpose of the grant is to create a toolkit for nutrition and exercise counseling. Before this happens we would like to do a pilot study to characterize our patient population and prevalence in obesity.

2. Surveillance Project

- Dr. Bernier has been meeting with personnel from Pediatric Informatics to finalize the input/output screens for this project. Meetings with the steering committee are still in process. This will be a once-a-week symptom-reporting study. Dr. Bernier will be asking for your input about what hardware is available in your office, what access you have to that hardware, and what device preference you have (hand-held vs. desktop). We will pilot this project in May or June.

3. Otitis Media Project - David McCormick, MD

- Dr. Siegel passed out David McCormick's preliminary data of the pilot study done in Galveston, TX using placebo vs. amoxicillin on children that were 6 months to 7 years old. Some of the preliminary data showed that at ages less than a year old, the failure rate for non-antibiotic use was unacceptable. Once the child was a year old the failure and relapse rate were identical.

IV. NEW/PROPOSED STUDIES

- None at this time