



**CINCINNATI PEDIATRIC RESEARCH GROUP**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**September 22, 2003**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**           Jeanie Bailey, CCRP  
                                  Jeralyn Bernier, MD, MPH  
                                  Jim Davis, MD  
                                  Camille Graham, MD  
                                  Robert Siegel, MD

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE**

1. The Ohio Pediatric Research Consortium will be hosted by the Dayton Group at Children's Medical Center October 3-4, 2003. There will be a cookout Friday evening at John and Kathy Pascoe's house. On Saturday there will be a workshop on "Writing Successful Grants" presented by Atif Zafar, MD Director, Information Technology from AHRQ PBRN Resource Center, Indianapolis, IN. Attached is the agenda.
2. The CPRG administrative staff has been making site visits at our provider offices to promote the CHIRP Study (a.k.a. Asthma). There will be promotional posters printed up very soon for this study to display in your offices. We are also assessing your hardware and internet connectivity needs for the surveillance project.
3. The topic of focusing on a theme for our PBRN, such as patient safety, improving clinical practice or concentrating on obesity, otitis media, etc., was discussed at the meeting. Being expertise in a certain area is good for grant funding, which we need to keep the CPRG going, but most of our members feel this is too restricting. We are, however, very interested in your research interests and welcome your ideas.
4. Tentatively planned is a one-day retreat for CPRG providers to discuss projects, themes, generate new ideas, or discuss what topic is a concern in your practice.
5. If you plan to submit an abstract for the Pediatric Academic Societies meeting next year, the deadline is December 5, 2003.

**II. STUDIES UNDERWAY**

1. CHIRP Study  
This study is ongoing with 12 patients enrolled. Our goal is to recruit 150 patients over the coming months. Providers that are participating to date are St. Luke Pediatrics, Hyde Park Pediatrics, Hopple Street Neighborhood Health Center, Pediatric Associates of Montgomery, and Whole Child Pediatrics. Call Colleen Fitzpatrick at 636-7036 to participate or refer a patient.
2. ADD Studies  
This study has been completed and the PIs are actively writing 2 papers for the community management survey and the electronically entered patient encounters. They will also be working on an abstract for the Pediatric Academic Societies meeting in May 2004.

### **III. DEVELOPING STUDIES**

1. Obesity Study - The obesity management survey has been mailed to 300 community pediatricians. Participating CPRG members will enter both management and patient encounter surveys electronically through a link on the CPRG web-site. Dr. Joseph is the PI for this project and Dr. Bernier is the Co-PI.
2. Surveillance - This project is planned to go live October 6, 2003. If you are in need of a notebook (laptop) computer for data entry, please contact the administrative staff at 513-636-4946 or 513-636-4183. Besides collecting data on symptoms seen in your office for any given week, we also plan on collecting some baseline information regarding our PBRN. Dr. Bernier and Jeanie Bailey are planning a trip to New York to attend the "National Syndromic Surveillance Conference" in late October. They have submitted an abstract and will be presenting the structure of our surveillance project.

### **IV. NEW/PROPOSED STUDIES**

1. AAP eQIPP  
Bill Brinkman, a fellow from the Division of General and Community Pediatrics, is interested in researching outcomes of the Education in Quality Improvement for Pediatric Practice (eQIPP) tool. He will be working with Drs. Bernier, Lanphear, and Baker in General Pediatrics as well as the AAP CME team. CPRG members interested in the eQIPP quality improvement CME tool should contact Dr. Bernier.
2. Atkins Diet  
Dr. Siegel is submitting a preliminary letter of inquiry to the Atkins Foundation for funding of this proposed project, asking for \$250,000. If accepted, a grant will be submitted in December.