



CINCINNATI PEDIATRIC RESEARCH GROUP
Minutes of the Meeting
July 30, 2003

IN ATTENDANCE:

Bill Brinkman, MD	Manny Doyne, MD
Jeannie Bailey, CCRP	Jill Huppert, MD
Deborah Boyd, MD	Evelyn Joseph, MD
Matt Cornish, MD	Terry Langheim, MD
Tom DeWitt, MD	Bob Siegel, MD

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- Jeanie Bailey handed out the Unaffiliated Researcher Agreement form for signatures.
- Dr. Siegel reported that two papers written about domestic violence were accepted for publication by Clinical Pediatrics, and the otitis media paper will appear in the September issue of Pediatrics.

II. STUDIES UNDERWAY

1. AAP CHIRP (a.k.a. asthma) Study
The Child Health Information Reporting Project is underway. This project involves patients with asthma symptoms ages 7-16. In our first month of the project we identified 10 potential patients with 6 being enrolled. Our goal is to recruit 150 children/parents. We would like to get Jim Bien at the Arnett Clinic up and running in the next month.
2. ADD Studies
This study is complete. 2 manuscripts are being prepared for publication.

III. DEVELOPING STUDIES

1. Obesity Study - The obesity pilot should be out very soon. We will be looking at attitudes and practices among CPRG providers and in the community. We will then follow up with patient encounters regarding physician intervention.
2. Surveillance - This project should be up and running in the next month. High-speed connectivity (no dial-up) is needed to access the on-line surveillance tool. If your practice does not have this connectivity, the CPRG has 10 notebook computers to distribute among our providers. You can call Jeralyn Bernier (636-0145) or Jeanie Bailey (636-4946) to let them know your needs.

IV. NEW/PROPOSED STUDIES

1. AAP eQuipp
Bill Brinkman, MD joined our meeting tonight to discuss Education in Quality Improvement for Pediatric Practice (eQuipp), an on-line quality improvement tool located on the AAP's web-site. He is interested in researching outcomes of this tool and whether it has been useful. If the CPRG is interested in taking this on, Bill would like the CPRG practices to be a control group. Currently there is an Asthma and ADHD module on-line, with an Obesity module on the horizon. It would take 9-12 months to complete the module and you would earn 25 CME credits. This project would involve some chart review.

2. STD Testing

Jill Huppert and Josh Schaffzin, Adolescent Medicine, were awarded a grant funded by AHRQ through the Ambulatory Pediatric Association to research STD testing. The first part of the study will involve interviewing community providers regarding STD testing, barriers, etc. The second part will involve data collection, targeting internal med/peds.

3. Atkins Diet

Dr. Siegel and Steve Daniels are interested in studying an Atkins-like diet in the pediatric setting. This could be a potential arm for our obesity project. Healthworks, an intervention program at Children's for overweight children ages 5-10 and adolescents ages 11-17, has only shown a 30% success rate. The Atkins effect has shown that dieters using a low-carbohydrate diet consumed less calories than when using a low-fat diet. Dr. Daniels is interested in showing efficacy and Dr. Siegel would like to show effectiveness. More to come on this subject.

*Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 26, 2003
General & Community Pediatrics
Location A-8, 6:00 p.m.