

CINCINNATI PEDIATRIC RESEARCH GROUP
Minutes of the Meeting
November 4, 2003

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanie Bailey, CCRP	Emanuel Doyne, MD
Jeralyn Bernier, MD, MPH	Lisa Green, MD
Kurt Bofinger, MD	Evelyn Joseph, MD
Deborah Boyd, MD	Terry Langheim, MD
Matthew Cornish, MD	Robert Siegel, MD
Jim Davis, MD	

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. The CPRG administrative staff is continuing to make site visits to champion the CHIRP study, deliver promotional materials, and assess hardware and connectivity needs for the Surveillance Project. If you're interested in a site visit and haven't heard from us, please call the administrative staff at 513-636-4946 or 513-636-4183 to set up an appointment. We thank all of you for taking the time out of your busy schedules to meet with us.
2. We want to remind you that abstracts are due December 5, 2003 for the Pediatric Academic Societies next spring. We are planning to write several about the ADD patient encounters, CHIRP tobacco use, SNAP follow up, and possibly the obesity and surveillance projects
3. A retreat for CPRG members is being planned for January 2004. This will be a time to determine the future of the CPRG. The event will most likely take place on a Saturday afternoon. One facility we are considering is the Marcum Conference Center in Oxford, OH at Miami University.

II. STUDIES UNDERWAY

1. **CHIRP Study**
This study is ongoing with 17 patients completed to date. Our goal is to have 15 patients enrolled each month and encourage your participation. All that is needed on your part are patient referrals for children age 7-16 who have had active asthma in the past year. Incentives will be paid to child and parent, along with a provider incentive for each completed set of interviews. Please call Jeanie Bailey at 513-636-4946 or Shannen Nelson at 513-636-0393.
2. **Surveillance Project**
We are now in the 4th week of data collection. This project is a pilot and adjustments to reporting periods and times may need to be made. We welcome your feedback. To enter data for clinical symptoms seen by you in your office, visit our website at www.cprg.org and click on Surveillance Project Pilot. Check with Debbie or Jeanie if you do not know your username and password.
3. **Obesity Pilot**
The provider management survey was mailed to the pediatric community in September. We've received a 27% rate of return to date. A second mailing has gone out to those who have not responded. CPRG members are invited to do this survey electronically through our website. CPRG members should also do the patient survey to characterize the body habitus of a random sample of 2 to 10 year old patients in your practice. There was some discussion about different sampling strategies that might work.

III. DEVELOPING STUDIES

1. Atkins Diet in Children

Dr. Siegel is moving forward on this proposal with Dr. Steve Daniels. They've received IRB approval on this proposed study. If funded, 70 patients will be enrolled given either a low-calorie traditional diet with nutritional counseling or the Atkins diet if history of obesity and traditional dieting has failed. Contact Dr. Siegel if you are interested in testing the low carbohydrate approach in children over 12 years old.

IV. NEW/PROPOSED STUDIES

1. Dr. Doyne presented some proposed studies regarding streptococcal pharyngitis. Preliminary discussions with Michael Gerber, MD resulted in 4 potential areas to evaluate. One would be a community survey of standard of care of diagnosis of strep pharyngitis, evaluating the use of backup cultures. Second would be a comparison of the sensitivity of rapid detection tests (Abbott, Bio-Star and BD brands). Third is a study of treatment effectiveness for once/day dose vs bid amoxicillin, and fourth is to study the management of impetigo (resistance, drugs of choice, etc.).