



Community Paramedic Operations Group Meeting

February 27, 2017

2-3pm

Phone Conference

Attending: Pete Tanghe (chair), Jennifer Murphree, Mari Thomas, Pete Carlson, Chris Matek, Kelly Wanzek, Jana Berends, Jason Ebelin, Luke Myers, Stephanie Frentzel, Mike Wilcox, Mike Ittner

No additions to agenda.

Motion to approve January minutes by Chris Matek, second by Mari Thomas. Minutes approved.

Conference Updates:

IRCP: Pete Tanghe and Luke Myers - Reassuring to see how universally common the issues are around MIH – reimbursement, medic engagement, research.

EMS Today: Pete Carlson – Broader EMS coverage, large administrative focus, future education opportunities, standardizing CP work, reimbursement at federal/state levels. He will share some links with the group. Also, new textbook just released - “Community Health Paramedicine” – available on Amazon.

Paramedicine Across Canada Expo: August 18-19, 2017

EMS World Expo: October 16-20, 2017

MN CP Conference: February 7-8, 2018 – Requested topics so far are safety and communication. Please send additional topic ideas to Debbie Gillquist

Subgroups:

Nothing new to report. General committee members are encouraged to get involved with either Safety or Reimbursement subgroups. Luke Myers volunteered to help.

2017 Goals:

Pete Tanghe included a list of goals for this group, please review and give feedback.

Member updates:

Jana Berends – Granite Falls reports all bills they have submitted to MA have been denied. Looking for help on this. Pete Carlson stated she can email him directly, and he will connect her with the billing dept at North Memorial for assistance.



Meetings:

Pete Tanghe suggested foregoing large group meetings for the next couple months to allow subgroups to meet and begin working. Look at reconvening large group in May sometime.