

Medication Reconciliation and Polypharmacy Committee

Meeting Notes

Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Location
Thursday, February 25, 2021	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Webinar Only https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84544069207?pwd=Vmw3UWl3aHZzSjd1Sk1ma2J1UkZ1UT09 Meeting ID: 845 4406 9207 Passcode: 739351 Dial by your location: +1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

Committee Members

Committee Members		Invited Guests:	
p Nitu Kashyap		Kate Sacro	
p Sean Jeffery	p Alejandro Gonzalez-Restrepo	Lesley Bennett	p Carole Robinson
	Amy Justice	Margherita Giuliano	Pete Robinson
	p Anne VanHaaren	Marie Renauer	Jeannina Thompson
	Christopher Diblasi	Mark Silvestri	Brenda Shipley
		MJ McMullen	p Steve Demurjian
p Diana Mager	- Ece Tek	Nate Rickles	Rick Brooks
	p Elizabeth Taylor	Patricia Carroll	
	Jason Gott	Rachel Petersen	
	p Jennifer Osowiecki	Rod Marriott	
	Jeremy Campbell	Stacy Ward-Charlerie	
		p Dr. Valencia Bagby-Young	

Supporting Leadership

x – in person; p – via phone

p Adrian Texidor, OHS	p Tom Agresta, UConn	p Terry Bequette, CedarBridge
	p Ryan Tran, UConn	Kassi Miller, CedarBridge
	p Rachel Rusnak, UConn	Craig Jones, CedarBridge

Agenda Topics

Topic	Responsible Party	Time
Welcome and Roll Call	Nitu Kashyap, Sean Jeffery	2:00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sean performed roll call 		
Review of December 2020 Minutes	All	2:05
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held until the March 2021 Meeting 		
Public Comment	Public	2:10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comments 		
A Message from the Co-Chairs	Nitu Kashyap, Sean Jeffery	2:15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thank you to members! 		
Goals for 2021 (Breakout Sessions)	All	2:25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pat Carroll asked if should see the app first. Nitu noted that there was concern that the app first might restrict the conversation/thinking. Diana noted that she liked the breakout rooms and the visual aspects. Rod agreed, Pat agreed Diana noted that we might need a task force for each goal as we move forward. Tom noted that we will likely have to make some priority decisions. 		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sean noted that the team will compile the information gathered and we will bring the information back to the group. The committee broke into two separate groups and reviewed the goals for 2021. They individually discussed tactics, objectives, and timelines for each goal. These events were recorded and the notes are available as the "Breakout Session Notes". 		
Demo of the Med Rec Prototype App & Discussion	Professor Steve Demurjian	3:15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steve described activities with medication reconciliation to date. He discussed the critical importance of using medication and health data standards. The next steps are seeking input on the provider and patient user interfaces. Dr. Demurjian provided a live demonstration of the mobile application. The server infrastructure has been created to pull and combine data. Marghi asked about the next steps for the app and what will happen to duplicate meds? Tom noted that we will be looking for collaboration and feedback on future development so the end-user knows exactly what's happening on the back end. Tom noted that conflicts now are demonstrated in red, and there are options of how to display/notify/treat certain results in the future. Students are working on user interface design and on the back-end server now. Jen brought up that sometimes what appears to be a conflict may not be a conflict. Diana asked where the lists of meds are coming from? Steve noted that right now they are coming from Open EMR, and over the summer they will come from 3 additional simulated EHRs. Tom expanded on the explanation and noted that national norms/standards are being incorporated as well. Rod asked about algorithms for patient matching – Steve noted that the plan is to use an existing method. Rod noted that this is a big challenge to ensure feeding the correct data. Rod asked if patient feedback has been considered in the design? Tom noted that it can be incorporated into future versions, but is not currently. It's possible because all info is tracked. Lesley Bennet – asked if discontinued meds are automatically removed? Is there a way that can be addressed? Nitu noted that this is a great question and it's an example of how the systems should be communicating, and that cancellation messages should be going from system to system. Tom noted that it's possible that the app could compare to discontinued database, theoretically, but there would have to be a database of discontinued meds (possible available via FDA in an API format) Tom noted that we may develop an ongoing list of lessons learned Sean noted that there will be lots of room for feedback. 		
Announcements		3:30
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carol Robison of Cedarbridge discussed the State HIT Plan development She noted that OHS and Cedarbridge are collecting information on the current state, barriers, etc. Noted that they will be sending out electronic surveys Tom noted that there is an upcoming CME/CPE event to discuss Connie, and use cases. 		
Meeting Adjournment	All	3:45
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A quorum was not met, so official adjournment was deemed unnecessary 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 		

Upcoming Meeting Schedule: March 25, 2021, 2:00-4:00 pm (WEBINAR ONLY)

Meeting Information is located at <https://portal.ct.gov/OHS/HIT-Work-Groups/Medication-Reconciliation-and-Polypharmacy-Committee>