

## **DaRE Workgroup Meeting Notes**

August 2, 2009

In Attendance: Raghni Bundesman, Sarah Krein, Lori Corteville, Kim Walsh

\* Discussed diabetes cost articles.

It was determined that these articles provide sufficient information related to the cost of diabetes and the research should be considered complete. Participants requested that Lori extract useful data that would be appropriate for the following target audiences: 1) legislators and 2) businesses. This information will be shared with the Advocacy Workgroup along with a request that they take the information and shape it into useful fact sheets that can be shared with these audiences. Sally Joy would be able to include cost information as part of the legislative handout or as a supporting document. And, the Advocacy Workgroup could share the fact sheet with businesses through their outreach with health purchaser coalitions. Kim will share this request with Sally Joy.

\* Discussed Diabetes Care article regarding the role of A1C in the diagnosis of diabetes

Participants requested that this message, sent to the work group by Kim Walsh on 7.15, be resubmitted along with the original article. Feedback will be requested from all DaRE members and submitted to Jean Chickering. A revised version of this summary will be distributed to DPAC members as the final research brief for the year. It was noted that an emphasis should be placed on the fact that this is information only not a recommendation to revise procedures based on where the discussion is on this issue at this time.

\* Raghni reported on a research brief was submitted to DPAC membership on 7.15 through the DPAC Updates. This document will also be included in the participant packet at the 10.5 DPAC Full Membership meeting, at which Dr. Herman will be one of the presenters.

\* Raghni provided an update on McLaren Regional Medical Center's support group diabetes study.

\* The September 7, 2009 meeting has been cancelled. The workgroup will work on reviewing the A1C article, providing feedback on the summary, and revising the summary to create a research brief during the next month. The next meeting will be held on October 5, at the DPAC Full Membership Meeting.

*Submitted by:  
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