



**NCPI Advisory Council Conference Call  
October 9, 2006, 5-6 pm  
Summary Notes (Draft)**

**Participants: Beverly Nicholson (Chair), Judi Nurse, Glenn Yokoyama, Cathy Dawson, Ann Gouré, May Sung**

**Standing Agenda Items:**

SCCPI Liaison Report - Beverly gave an update on the SCCPI gala that she attended. It was an inspirational event, and she was pleased to represent the NCPI. The evening was for recognition of those doing outstanding work in pain management and was indeed an inspirational event. This awards program has a positive influence on the Southern California community. She thanked SCCPI for the invitation and to the Board for their wonderful hospitality.

Beverly announced that Barbara Whitlatch is leaving City of Hope Medical Center and SCCPI after 10 years.

**Old Business:**

□ Advisory Council Membership for two year term – Recruitment of new members - Beverly reviewed that based on the NCPI Operating Guidelines, there is a total of 18 slots for the Advisory Council, which doesn't include staff. The Advisory Council (AC) meeting planning workgroup decided on an email letter to the current AC members to determine who would like to continue as an AC member and then determine the number of empty slots based on the group's responses. Beverly discussed the idea of filling the empty slots on the AC by adding representation by geography or by other disciplines.

□ Face to Face Meeting Planning –

- Dates - Beverly Nicholson reviewed the possibility of two dates in January 2007 for the first face-to-face Advisory Council which are January 19 or January 26. People will be asked to select the date they prefer or indicate both if appropriate.
- Location - The location of the meeting will be in Sacramento, exact location TBD. It should be a large enough conference room with conference calling capability.
- Agenda – will send out draft before November conference call –  
Some suggestions were: Not to focus on the strategic plan but concentrate on next steps and what do we offer to NCPI members;  
define what our activities will be; how to reach out to the larger group of NCPI members;  
Possibility of inviting Ronna Popkin from the Alliance of State Pain Initiatives (ASPI) to attend and discuss the organization's role with NCPI and specifically what her role would be.

□ Cancer Pain Teleconference Planning – Bill Marcus and Beverly Nicholson is working on our project funded by the AACPI with Lance Armstrong Foundation funding.

- Speaker – we are still determining Dr. Chris Miaskowski’s availability. If not, Dr. Lori Resiner or Dr. Mark Blum could possibly serve as back-up presenters for the audio-conferences.
  - Date – needs to be determined
  - Publicity – would need to be done as soon as possible so that we can promote it as widely as possible. Want to send the promotion to Chiefs of Staff in ACoS hospitals and the American Pain Society.
  - CME – Beverly will follow up with UC Davis for possible CME.
- Strategic Plan Review
    - Send corrections/revisions and other suggestions on the plan to Beverly by 10/31/06.

## **New Business**

- Pain Report Card – news release – Bill Marcus helped to develop a news release on the Pain Report Card. California’s grade of C. California’s Governor Schwarzenegger just signed AB 2198 in California. Bill cited the passage of this law as an example of how pain management could improve. Decided that only NCPI logo will appear on the press release but will keep the SCCPI URL in the body of the release. Ann Gouré will review; Beverly, Bill and May to provide final approval.
- Future conference call format suggestion – educational topics alternating with NCPI business?

Check with Bill Marcus:

Any publicity about the new legislation that is planned in the Medical Board newsletter? Judi Nurse indicated the Pharmacy Board newsletter just got published so the next one is about 3 months away.

Ask Vickie F./Chuck H. to link the NCPI website to the new legislation (AB2198).

## **Announcements – Open Agenda**

### **Upcoming Conferences/Educational Opportunities**

Mercy San Juan Medical Center “The Many Faces of Pain” conference for pharmacists and nurses (multiple dates) –for more information contact Beverly at [bnicholson@chw.edu](mailto:bnicholson@chw.edu)

UCSF Pain Management and End of Life Care

Location: San Francisco

November 15-17, 2006