

MARYLAND PAIN INITIATIVE MINUTES NOVEMBER 10, 2009

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Gail Katz attended the 25th annual ASPI Conference . Not much new to report. Karen Kaiser submitted a poster for the conference and it was accepted. There were only 4 or 5 posters submitted. We may want to do more on this for next year's conference.

PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM (PMP) Gail Katz reports that the Governor's Council has \$50,000 planning grant to do a report. They will have an all day meeting in early December to make recommendations. Currently 40 states have PMP's. Very good programs in Ny., Cal., Oh., Vt.. Gail attended an conference of the National Association of Controlled Substance which was mostly law enforcement people. Got lots of information on PMP's. There is no evidence that PMP's reduce diversion or death by overdose. Gail will send her notes to Karen Kaiser and Jayme Halko. Eventually Maryland will have a law for a Prescription Monitoring Program.

MED CHI RESOLUTION: Resolution was drawn up to support National Health Care and a Code of Conduct. Jayme will send to the board.

OFFICERS:

President: Tim Keay
Vice President -
Treasurer – Carol Billett
Secretary –

Need to fill vacant positions at next meeting.

BY-LAWS: Karen has a scanned copy and will send to all members.

NEXT MEETING; JANUARY 21, 2010 5 – 6:30PM AT UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL SYSTEM. FREE PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE.