

NERAC Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 7th – 3:00-4:00
SMDC Regional Heart Center Conf. Rm.
Members present: Sue Strohman , Pam Franklin, Lisa Berndt,
Michael Vaneps, Tracie Wilcox, Lori Saari

1. Review of WAD Events: Northland Voices TV Show. Panel consisted of Lori Saari, Pat McKone, and Jim Christanson. Proclamation signed by Mayor Herb Bergson on May 25th. Unfortunately, there was no press coverage, but pictures will be up on web site.
2. Update from Asthma Sharing Conference. Two people from our region used Scholarship to attend. Recruited two new coalition members- Michael Vaneps RT from Deer River, and Natalie Stone from Duluth. Jean Larson from MDH also has joined the coalition. Reviewed new changes regarding MDH funding for MAC .Reviewed MAC membership survey information and also talked about MAC key Informant Interview plans.
3. Pharmacy Training Program Planning – Because of changes in the funding from MDH, we are looking at least a 6 month planning time for our program. So, that puts it in around Dec/Jan/Feb. Coalition members thought that February or March would probably work best. So that is what we will shoot for. For time, we thought that a “late morning or lunch time” program would work best. (This is a 2 hour course). Lori Saari will contact Jeff Pykkonen re: teaching...possible along with Don Uden. Once this is in place we will decide on location. Most members think that keeping it at a hospital location would work best in our region and would help to keep costs down. Members also think we can do most planning via the computer and phone meetings. Lisa Berndt will give Lori S. the number to contact for funding requests.
4. Next meeting scheduled for August 9th at 8:00 AM. At that meeting we will set future meeting dates/times. Some requests have been made to consider lunch times for meetings.

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