



Blood Clot Pulmonary Embolism Policy (BCPEP)

Meeting Minutes

Date: May 29, 2024
Time: 10:30 AM to 12:30PM
Location: Microsoft Teams

Members Present: Ali Ataya, M.D., Christopher Pittman, M.D., Leslie Lake, Giovanni Betta

Presenters: Jeffrey Kline, M.D., Jackeline Hernandez, M.D.

Agency Staff Present: Jaime Bustos, Susan Slappey, Marnita Green, Krischell Weston

Meeting Materials: Copies of meeting materials are posted on: [Blood Clot and Pulmonary Embolism Policy Workgroup \(myflorida.com\)](#)

Welcome: Jaime Bustos

Call to Order and Roll Call: Dr. Ataya called roll.

Action Items and Status Updates: The Agency continues to work on scheduling guest speakers. An in-person meeting will be scheduled once the details are finalized. The Agency team shared 2 one-pagers that will be added to the website as resource documents. One was a timeline of the meeting dates and the topics that will be covered, and the other was the goals of the workgroup.

Guest Speaker Dr. Jeffrey Kline:

Dr. Kline presented on the 30-year history of Pulmonary Embolism's and the current issues faced. Approximately 1 in 1000 people per year were diagnosed in 1990, according to data these figures are approximately the same possibly a little more now. The use of Catheter-based treatment became a common treatment starting in 2012 and continues today. PE is still the #2 cause of sudden and unexpected death, and mortality rates are increasing in the US. Dr. Kline suggested methods of detection of DVT and PE through ICD coding, and the use of RegEX or Natural language processing for acute clots.

Guest Speaker Dr. Jackeline Hernandez:

Dr. Hernandez focused on the importance of treating patients mental health once they are diagnosed. Educating both patients and Physicians on the risk factors associated with the Anxiety that being diagnosed can create, not only for just the patients, but families and caregivers as well. Dr. Hernandez also spoke about the challenges that Latinos in general face in getting diagnosed,



and treated due to lack of insurance, language barriers and having access to hospitals in rural areas. This is specifically important to Florida as Florida's Latino population is around 27%.

Meeting Summary and Next Steps: The goal is to start discussing education in the next meeting. VTE will be the go-to reference moving forward. The Workgroup members will work on assigned tasks to move forward.

New Action Items	Owner
The AHCA team will work with the Chair to coordinate and schedule an in-person meeting.	AHCA

With no further business to discuss, moved to adjourn, with no objections. The committee adjourned.

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