

DRAFT MINUTES

Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA)
Pediatric Cardiac Technical Advisory Panel (PCTAP or Advisory Panel)
Date: December 12, 2019
Time: 5:00 – 6:30 PM EST
Location: Online Webinar

Members Present: Mel Almodovar, MD; Alfred Asante-Korang, MD; Gul Dadlani, MD; Eric Eason, MD; Joel Hardin, MD; Jorge McCormack, MD; David Nykanen, MD; Biagio Pietra, MD; Frank Pigula, MD; Jeremy Ringewald, MD; Frank Scholl, MD.

Staff Present: Molly McKinstry, Deputy Secretary; Jack Plagge, Manager Outpatient Services Unit; Nikole Helvey, AHCA Bureau Chief, Florida Center for Health Information and Transparency (Florida Center); Patricia Vidal, Data Dissemination and Communication Manager; Jess Hand and Andrea Bonavia, Florida Center.

Interested Parties: Bill Blanchard, MD; Teresa Cornacchione; Daphne Holden; Jeffrey Jacobs, MD; Janet Kreutzer; Elizabeth Pedersen; Jason Rodriguez; Amber Smith; Gerold Schiebler, MD;

Call to Order, Welcome and Roll Call: Dr. David Nykanen welcomed the members, called roll and called the meeting to order.

PCTAP Rule and Update Discussion:

Dr. Nykanen asked the members for comments on the updated version of the draft rule.

Dr. Nykanen stated that the volume requirements on page two, item one were consistent with what the members previously agreed upon. Dr. Nykanen added that members should be aware that (regarding page two, line four of the draft) available STS data for pacemaker surgeries only includes data for pacemakers placed by surgeons. STS does not collect data for pacemakers placed electrophysiologists. Members discussed the alteration of the draft rule on page two, item one, line four. Members motioned for the change of language to state, "Reportable cardiac surgical procedures may include permanent epicardial lead placement.", and members seconded the motion. The members voted as follows:

Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children	David Nykanen, MD, Chair	Yes
	William M. DeCampi, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
AdventHealth for Children (Formerly Florida Hospital for Children)	Frank Pigula, MD	Yes
	Bhavya Trivedi, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
Holtz Children's Hospital	Melvin C. Almodovar	Yes
	Sethuraman Swaminathan, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	

Joe Dimaggio Children's Hospital	Frank Scholl, MD Vice Chair	Yes
	Kak Chen Chan, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital	Alfred Asante-Korang, MD	No
	Jamie Decker, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
Nicklaus Children's Health System	Redmond Burke, MD	No Representative Attended
	<i>Vacant</i>	
Nemours Children's Hospital	Peter Wearden, MD	
	Gul H. Dadlani, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	No
St. Joseph's Children's Hospital	Jeremy Ringewald, MD	Yes
	Farshad Anvari, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
UF Health Shands Children's Hospital	Mark S. Bleiweis, MD	
	Biagio Pietra, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	Yes
Wolfson Children's Hospital	Jose' Ettetdgui, MD	No Representative Attended
	Michael Shillingford, MD	
At-Large Member Affiliation	At-Large Member Name	
Golisano Children's Hospital SWFL	Eric Eason, DO	No
Tampa Bay Adult Congenital Heart Disease Center Pediatric Cardiology Associates - Tampa Bay	Joel T. Hardin, MD	Yes
MedNax Medical Group	Jorge McCormack, MD	Yes

Total Count: 8 Yes, 3 No

Mr. Jack Plagge, Manager Outpatient Services Unit, drew the attention of the members to page seven, line four to review a language change requested from the Panel. The members discussed the language change and requested another alteration. Dr. Nykanen asked for a motion to be called. Dr. Scholl called to motion for the change of language to state "... observed to expected operative mortality ratio whose lower limit of the 95% confidence interval is less than or equal to 1." Members seconded the motion. The members voted as follows:

PCTAP VOTE To Endorse the Rule as Written		
Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children	David Nykanen, MD, Chair	Yes
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AdventHealth for Children Formerly Florida Hospital for Children)	Frank Pigula, MD	Yes
	Bhavya Trivedi, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
Holtz Children's Hospital	Melvin C. Almodovar	Yes
	Sethuraman Swaminathan, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
Joe Dimaggio Children's Hospital	Frank Scholl, MD Vice Chair	Yes
	Kak Chen Chan, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital	Alfred Asante-Korang, MD	Yes
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	Gul H. Dadlani, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	Yes
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	Farshad Anvari, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	
UF Health Shands Children's Hospital	Mark S. Bleiweis, MD	
	Biagio Pietra, MD - <i>Alternate</i>	Yes
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STS Update Discussion:

Ms. Nikole Helvey, AHCA Bureau Chief, stated the Agency is awaiting pricing from STS for the data models requested by the Panel. Dr. Frank Scholl stated that, per the last meeting, the panel agreed what data elements should be obtained from STS. Dr. Scholl stated that STS provided the Panel with the data report STS developed for Pennsylvania as an example for the Panel. Dr. Scholl stated the data provided in the Pennsylvania report is very similar to what data elements the Panel wants included. However, the Pennsylvania report does not include length of stay data and Dr. Scholl suggested that the length of stay data for bench-mark operations be included in the Florida STS report.

Ms. Helvey reminded the Panel that the final report provided by STS may need to be formatted to fit the existing infrastructure on the FloridaHealthFinder.gov website. Dr. Scholl asked if the Agency would consider adding a link to a PDF report that consumers can download and print. Ms. Helvey agreed that this was a good suggestion. Ms. Helvey stated that since STS is currently developing similar reports for other states, it should not take long to receive a cost estimate from STS.

Appropriation/Budget: Dr. Nykanen stated that Dr. Blanchard requested \$220,000.00 in recurring revenues for the activities of the Panel for the fiscal year 2021. Dr. Blanchard stated that Senator Bean's appropriation bill number is 1577, more appropriately called *FLIR* (Funding for Local Initiative Request). Dr. Blanchard stated that the House did not feel that the request was an appropriation due to the language of the Bill specifically addressing it and Dr. Blanchard is continuing to investigate the situation.

Pulse Oximetry Screening Results:

Dr. Nykanen stated that the Panel received the Pulse Oximetry Screening results submitted by the Department of Health and noted the lack of data in the report. Ms. Jessica Hand informed the Panel that a response letter from CMS representative, Ms. Dusty Edwards, was circulated to the Panel. The letter from Ms. Edwards addressed the Panel's request for additional data.

Dr. Gerold Schiebler asked whether the Agency Secretary made a verbal or written request for pulse oximetry data. Additionally, he asked what data elements were requested by the Agency Secretary. Ms. Helvey responded that the DOH Surgeon General submitted the data to AHCA, thereby fulfilling the statutory requirements. The Agency has been in contact with CMS representative, Ms. Dusty Edwards, and communicated interest in any additional pulse oximetry data. Ms. Edwards responded to this request in the aforementioned letter circulated to the Panel. Ms. Helvey stated that it may be beneficial for the Agency to facilitate a request letter from the Panel.

Ms. Helvey noted that the CMS representative, Ms. Dusty Edwards, was invited to join the meeting but was unable to attend. However, Ms. Edwards did state her willingness to join the meeting and answer questions the Panel may have. Dr. Schiebler suggested that the Secretary appoint an individual from CMS to be a non-voting member of the Panel.

Term limits: Dr. Nykanen asked the Agency if voting members who complete a 2-year term could sit on the Panel as alternate members for 2 years, and then be reappointed as a voting member for an additional 2-year term. Ms. Helvey stated that legal would need to be consulted for a response. Dr. Nykanen asked if term limits could be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Real Time Outcomes Committee:

Dr. Eric Eason stated that he provided possible meeting dates to the AHCA staff and there are topics in place for that meeting. Dr. Nykanen asked Dr. Eason if he would Chair the subcommittee and asked anyone interested in joining the Real Time Outcomes committee to email the pctap@ahca.myflorida.com inbox.

IMPCAT data: Dr. Nykanen requested that the next full panel meeting agenda include a discussion of what to do with IMPACT data.

Panel Progress Report: Dr. Blanchard stated that a progress report on the activities of the Panel is statutorily due January 1, 2020. Dr. Blanchard submitted a draft report to the Agency and Ms. Helvey agreed to circulate his draft, along with the STS report and updated data, to the members.

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Member Action Items:

- Members who would like to join Real Time Outcomes subcommittee meeting will email pctap@ahca.myflorida.com inbox.

Agency Action Items:

- Agency staff will make the following changes to the draft rule:
 - On page two, item four, change sentence to “Reportable cardiac surgical procedures may include permanent epicardial lead placement”.
 - On page seven, item four, change sentence to “... observed expected operative mortality ratio whose lower limit of the 95% confidence interval is less than or equal to 1.”
- Agency staff will contact the AHCA General Counsel regarding term limits.
- Members suggested the agenda of the next meeting include a discussion on IMPACT data.
- Members suggested the agenda of the next meeting include a discussion on term limits.

Adjournment: Dr. Nykanen adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

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