

MINUTES

Blood Pressure Sub Group Calgary Cardiovascular Network Meeting January 20th, 2004

1. The minutes of the last meeting were drawn up but not circulated. They were circulated at the meeting.
2. The minutes were reviewed with regard to action steps for update.
 - a. The Calgary Fire Department does not desire an advertising campaign at this time.
 - b. Public forums on blood pressure.
 - a. A forum has been organized at Suncor in March.
 - b. A sub group consisting of Judy Hughes, Kathy Hildebrand/Annette Robertson, Charlotte Jones, with assistance from Donna Galvin will review the current version of the slide kit to simplify it and make it more visual. This will include the development and emphasis on key messages. The previous evaluation will be reviewed and if necessary revised.
 - c. Dennis Rabel was contacted regarding having public education sessions at Fire Department venues. Dennis will be developing a menu of options that venues can select from. The public education would be one of the options.
 - d. Denis Tario will be asked to see whether public education sessions could be built into EMS blood pressure venues.
 - e. Suzanne Galesloot has organized opportunities for more public education slide kits through the Calgary Health Region. It was indicated that these sessions could follow the March/April session that has already been arranged.
3. Short published series on hypertension. Suzanne has discussed that 'the Apple' would be a suitable forum. So far we do not have a nurse or dietician volunteer to help with the revisions. It was suggested that the hypertension section from the Healthy Heart Kit could be utilized as the backbone of this.
4. The need for a volunteer coordinator or paid coordinator for the Hypertension Sub Group. Norm has written Suzanne Galesloot. The letter is to be circulated with these minutes.
5. The next meeting will be in April, 2004.

Yours sincerely,

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