Palliative Medicine Section Meeting  
October 26, 2015  
Boston, Massachusetts  

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Participants  
Kate Aberger, MD, FACEP; Chair; Mark S. Rosenberg, DO, MBA, FACEP, Immediate Past Chair;  
Sangeeta Lamba, MD, Chair-elect; Marny Fetzer, MD, Secretary/Newsletter Editor; Rebecca Goett, MD, Secretary/Newsletter Editor; Kei Ouchi, MD, Microsite Editor; Julie Cooper, MD, FACEP; Carrie Cregar, MD, FACEP; Paul DeSandre, DO, FACEP; Naomi George, MD; Eric Isaacs, MD, FACEP; Marynell Jelinek, MD, FACEP; Karen Jubanyik, MD; Olga Kovalerchik, MD; Walter Limehouse, Jr., MD, FACEP; Fred Mirachi, DO, FACEP; Maria Ramos; Geralynn Renner, MD, FACEP; Jan Schoenberger, MD, FACEP; Ashley Shreves, MD; and Donald Stader, MD  

Others attending the meeting: Lillian Emlet, MD, FACEP; Lukas Kolm, MD, FACEP; Drew Landmeier (VITAS); David Larson, MD, FACEP; Kalie Dove-Maguire, MD; Rita A. Manfredi, MD; Joseph Prietas (VITAS); Ronnie Ren, MD; Karin Rhodes, MD, MSN; Kai Romero, MD; Rachel Solnick, MD; Lindsay Weaver, MD; James Wright, DO (VITAS); Nissi George; and Marjorie Geist, RN, PhD, CAE, Staff Liaison  

Agenda  
1. VITAS educational presentation  
2. Council resolutions report  
3. Small group planning breakouts  
4. Other  

Major Points Discussed  
1. James Wright, DO, regional medical director, VITAS Healthcare (sponsor), presented “Bridging the Gap Between the ED and Accountable Care.”  

2. The section co-sponsored three council resolutions:  
   - Increasing Use of Advance Directives by Designation on Drivers Licenses and Use of Registry  
   - Establishing State and National POLST/EOL Registries  
   - Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment  

It was noted that POLST forms are open to interpretation. Dr. Solnick and Dr. Weaver will draft a council resolution for 2016.  

Palliative medicine and end of life may be part of ACEP’s Clinical Emergency Data Registry (CEDR).  

3. Section committees met in small groups. Section committees include:  
   - Curriculum – chaired by Dr. Lamba:  
     o Draft completed  
     o Consider palliative screenings/triggers  
     o EM Talk: simulation cases; consider ½ day workshop to train the trainers for ACEP16 in Las Vegas  
     o Consider consultant service to help community emergency physicians  
   - Microsite/toolkit/mobile app: Dr. David Wang is chair
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- Research – chaired by Dr. Ouchi
- Lecture/protocol cache
- Social media:
  - Add information to newsletters and microsite
  - Council resolutions development – chaired by Dr. Solnick and Dr. Weaver
  - Special interest group at AAHPM:
    - March 3, 2016, meeting at newly established EM Forum

4. New category for Research Forum abstract topics was palliative medicine and end of life. There were eight accepted abstracts presented at Research Forum.

There were two courses on end of life and palliative care presented at Research Forum.

The section received award for best section web site.