

FASD Task Force Meeting Minutes 11/4/09

Attendance: Madaline Journey-Lynn, Joe Medours, Maria Jocson, Shirley Dove, Tony Anderson, Teresa Anderson, Tim Darning, Eva Carner, Greg DiGere

FASD Task Force Goals - Select Committee occurring – Beall, explore ways in which the TF can influence Select Committee

MCAH can make recommendations to TF requested

Work with Medical Board/ Malpractice

Review Medical Board policy on alcohol consumption during pregnancy and consequences for doctors that say it is okay

Eva – reports 2008 ACOG (American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology) issued a no alcohol advisory for women during pregnancy

TF members to meet with Select Committee – Parents/self-advocates, Tony, Teresa, Greg, Shirley

Issues to might be topics of discussion for Beall's Select Committee

Alcohol Mitigation Fee – existing Bill 1019

Screening Reimbursement – existing Bill 217

Medical Board Policy

Medical School Curriculum/ Professional Licensing

Joe – expressed interest in getting women with disabilities information on the dangers of prenatal exposure to alcohol, wants to share information with his chapters and explore ways People First can be active in the TF

FASD Fact Sheet and Brochure

Maria and Eva sent final draft to The Arc of California, Tony agreed to have it printed by December

Billy Edwards is a public Defender in L.A. County working on criminal justice issues related to FASD, he is on the editorial board for The Journal of Psychiatry and Law, request put out for articles for a special issue on FASD.

Greg recommends approaching to Senate Office of Research to inquire about

- 1) Percent of people in the Corrections System with FASD and the associated costs
- 2) Medical Board consequences/enforcement for doctors that say it is okay to drink alcohol during pregnancy given that it goes against the surgeon generals warning/ what other states are doing about it

FASD Day

- Next year should be a bigger event
- Press Release/ follow up calls the day before event
- Save the Date Flyers
- Give aways, bells with Arc logo, bags, etc
- Mini – conference at the Capitol (may under a tent)
- Family picnic, sponsors such as Wal-mart
- Invite legislators

Items for next meeting

- List steps for mini-conference
- Look for sponsors
- Save the Date Flyer
- List of ideas for Select Committee
- Follow-up with Legislators to support existing Bills or maybe sponsor something new
- Attach letter to SOR when talking with Beall

New Business

- MCAH – Dr. Curtis is looking for articles/info on specific types of alcohol women consume during pregnancy

Next Meeting February 3, 2010 10:00 – 3:00

Meeting Adjourn 1:45