

**In a Heartbeat Executive Committee Conference Call**  
**Sunday, November 5, 2006**  
Teleconference Minutes

**ATTENDANCE:**

Executive Committee members in attendance: Dr. Gus Lambrew, Dr. Dennis Shubert, Dr. Larry Hopperstead, Dr. Bud Kellett, Dr. William Phillips, Ms. Kim Tierney, and Dr. Paul vom Eigen

Not able to attend: Dr. Steve Diaz, Ms. Deborah Carey Johnson and Dr. Guy Raymond

MQF staff: Mr. Christopher McCarthy, Ms. Carrie Hanlon, and Ms. Tish Tanski

**UPDATE ON NOVEMBER 9, 2006 MEETING**

Ms. Tanski reported that there are over 100 participants signed up, and that there is participation at each of the videoconference sites.

**IHB PRINCIPLES OF ORGANIZATION**

Dr. Shubert reviewed the Principles of Organization, which were previously circulated to Executive Committee members in a document titled a “constitution”. There were no changes. Dr. Phillips asked about the process of data collection. Dr. Shubert responded that it will be negotiated with the contractor.

**CLINICAL DATA PLAN**

**STEMI TREATMENT PROTOCOL**

Dr. Shubert presented the revised pathway, which incorporates suggestions made by members of the Executive Committee and Metrics and Data Committee. Dr. Phillips asked that the word “small” be deleted from the section on patients who present after three hours of symptom onset. Dr. Shubert agreed to incorporate the change.

The group also discussed requirements for heparin, and decided to allow either drip or bolus. MQF will check on dosage.

**DATA ELEMENTS**

Rather than reviewing each data element, Dr. Shubert asked the Executive Committee to send any changes in the data elements to Mr. McCarthy. Dr. Phillips asked about the

process of data collection. Dr. Shubert responded that it will be negotiated with the contractor. There was discussion about the use of QI data. Dr. Kellett asked if there was a plan to have aggregate QI data. Dr. Shubert indicated that MQF's intent was to provide the QI data to the provider but not to use it in the aggregate. Both Dr. Lambrew and Dr. Kellett suggested that the Executive Committee should look at aggregate data. Dr. Shubert indicated that MQF is willing to aggregate the data, but does not intend to use it to evaluate providers. Dr. Kellett and Mr. McCarthy will review care metrics to assure that they are adequately comprehensive. Ms. Tanski stated that Ms. Parker was also concerned that data to be reported be included in the IRB process. Dr. Shubert agreed to develop language to address the concerns raised during the call and circulate it to the Executive Committee. Dr. Kellett also suggested that the selected vendor meet with the Metrics and Data workgroup to determine how data will be used. Dr. Shubert also stated that the MQF Advisory Council would be involved.

Dr. Phillips questioned whether anyone was doing prehospital lysis. Mr. McCarthy clarified that the specific data element was a placeholder for the future.

A discussion of definitions ensued. Dr. Lambrew indicated that the ACC committee would meet in December and January to review the current guidelines, and that he would provide updated material to the group as soon as possible.

### **MQF DATA RFP**

The Executive Committee asked about the selection process. Mr. McCarthy indicated that MQF will ask for volunteers to evaluate proposals and is hoping for representation from the Executive Committee as well as the Metrics and Data committee.

### **WALL CHART**

Dr. Shubert stated that the MQF had received a number of comments on the wall chart, and apologized for including information on symptom onset to balloon time. MQF will not distribute a completed wall chart, but will share a chart for discussion purposes only on November 9. Dr. Shubert asked the Executive Committee for guidance on the appropriate measure. The group concluded that the best measure would be balloon time one hour from first hospital arrival.

### **PRESS RELEASE**

The group was comfortable with the press release.