

CSAM-SMCA Policy Committee Meeting
July 6, 2021 – 6:00pm MST

Minutes

Present: D. Martell A. Hamilton S. Elliott S. Dama A. Bahji B.
Hebert (recorder)

Absent: V. Primeau R. Tanguay B. Watts C. Cull A. Nidumolu P. Bach

Call to Order: 6:16pm MST – D. Martell

Adoption of Agenda & Additions:

- Choosing Wisely Recommendations Update – S. Elliot
- Involuntary Treatment Lit. Review Update – A. Bahji

Review of Minutes from June 1, 2021 (Appendix #1)

- Minutes from last meeting have been reviewed and approved
- D. Martell and A. Hamilton to review minutes for July meeting

New Business:

1. Choosing Wisely Recommendations – S. Elliot
 - A. Nidumolu, S. Elliot and P. Bach working on the recommendations
 - They have reviewed and made several edits
 - After they have agreement within the group on the revisions they have made, they would like to share with the wider membership
2. Working Meeting: Formulate ideas/ content for a session at the CSAM-SMCA 2021 Scientific Conference
 - What might be some ways to showcase our policy work at the conference in ways that engage the wider membership?
 - i. Big Ideas Presentation

1. 4-5 individuals pitch a topic, attendees vote on which one they want to hear more on
 2. Controversial, interesting ideas
 3. After a topic is decided on, develop a panel to debate the chosen topic
- ii. Use of breakout rooms
 1. A way everyone can get involved
 - iii. Surveys
 1. Pre and post conference surveys
 - iv. Delphi process
 1. Get member and attendee views on different policy topics
 2. Data collection to develop a document afterwards
 3. Polling in advance of the sessions
- How can we use the conference to generate ideas for future policy work?
- i. Ask members/attendees ahead of time what policy/advocacy projects they want the CSAM-SMCA Policy committee to focus on
 - ii. Networking sessions
 1. Organic, unstructured conversation
 2. Prepare a few questions/topics of discussion a head of time
 - iii. How does CSAM-SMCA endorse policy issues more broadly?
 1. Develop a better process/guidelines for the endorsement policy
 2. Involve our membership in these decisions
 3. Leverage the AGM to help us decided on policy work
 - iv. Grounded Advocacy Training
- CSAM-SMCA Conference Abstract
- i. A. Bahji to circulate the draft of the conference abstract on a “debate”.
 - ii. The abstract focuses on higher level issues that we have discussed at some of our meetings about addiction care and health systems-level issues, as well as the addiction medicine-psychiatry interface
 - iii. Policy Committee members to provide feedback and make edits
 - iv. D. Martell to submit formal submission in the conference abstract portal

3. Involuntary Lit. Review

- A. Bahji, D. Martell and S. Dama have met several times to discuss this process
- A. Bahji to circulate a working document for the involuntary treatment review, including a screenshot of some of the relevant articles identified from the initial search strategy

Next Meeting: August 3, 2021, at 6:00pm MST

Adjournment: 7:02pm MST – D. Martell