

Rhode Island

Stroke Systems of Care Inventory

October 2007

Primordial & Primary Prevention

- RIDOH Offices & Programs that address CVD:
 - Office of Minority Health
 - Office of Women's Health
 - Diabetes Prevention and Control Program
 - Initiative for a Healthy Weight
 - Childhood Obesity Initiative
 - Tobacco Control Program
 - Worksite Wellness

Primordial & Primary Prevention

- Legislated Public Tobacco Free Environment
- School Nutrition Legislation
 - Prohibits sodas, sugary drinks and unhealthy snacks at all state schools (vending & a la carte)
- Trans Fat Resolution
 - Calls on RIDOH to launch statewide campaign to educate the public and restaurant owners about the health risks associated with deadly trans fats

Community Education

- AHA Power to End Stroke Cause Initiative
 - Pro-bono outdoor marketing campaign
 - Cinema and shelter advertising of PTES
 - RI PTES Ambassador training/community outreach
 - Local television/Jim Vincent Show
- ASA/Ad Council Ads
- RIDOH Heart & Soul Project
 - Partnership with Chad Brown Health Center & John Hope Settlement House to address risk factors in African-American community

Community Education

- TMH 5th Annual Stroke Summit on the Hill – Nov 07
 - Administrators, EMS, Physicians, Nurses
 - Speakers with Network Experience
- AHA/ASA Stroke Summit at the State House – Jan 08
 - Stroke Task Force Report and Initial Recommendations
 - Legislators, key legislative staff, RIDOH staff
- Multiple Focused Stroke Education Programs through Stroke Program Nurses and Coordinators

Notification & Response of EMS for Stroke

- Operation Stroke: Revamped 911
- State EMS exam increased focus on stroke
- Statewide EMS educational evenings - Miriam and Kent Hospitals
- Fall EMS Education Seminar at RI Hospital
- EMS participation in RI Stroke Task Force
- Oct 07 meeting with EMS Chief to discuss Task Force direction/recommendations

Acute Treatment for Stroke

- The Miriam Hospital – JCAHO recertified
- RI Hospital and Kent Hospital treating patients and preparing JCAHO applications
- State Stroke Task Force Legislated to organize System of Care among acute Care Hospitals
 - January 08 presentation to legislature with initial recommendations

Subacute and Secondary Prevention for Stroke

- Increasing penetration GWTG in hospitals
- TMH – Performance Achievement Award
- Recurring lectures by Neurology
- Stroke/CAD and Heart Failure/HF workshops scheduled for Fall

Rehabilitation of Stroke Patients

- 2002 RI Survey Operation Stroke: Rehab had no Standard Programs
- Kent Hospital - Stroke Rehabilitation Program is fully accredited by CARF, the international quality standards body for rehabilitation services
- TMH – Discharge Planning and follow-up database documented
- Rehab active in Stroke Committee with Discharge Planners
- AHA Remains Active Survivor Network - Stroke Clubs

Continuous Quality Improvement Initiatives

- Without Stroke System of Care, QI not standardized between hospitals or between physicians
- GWTG-Stroke currently in 5 RI hospitals
- 2 GWTG-Stroke Conferences in RI (2007)
- POM program for Conservatively Managed Acute Stroke at TMH

Summary and Future Direction

- State Task Force to Address Stroke Practices, Variability of Care and Variability of Access to Stroke Care
- Legislative review of Task Force recommendations to begin January 08
- JCAHO certification of core hospitals
- Institute Network so every citizen has access to every stroke treatment option