CalENA Injury Prevention Committee
MINUTES
May 12, 2011
Long Beach

Present:
Marty Hay, San Diego Chapter
Kay Thompson, San Diego Chapter
Lark Boyer, Kern County Chapter
Agnes Faria, Kern County Chapter
Barbara VanEck, Greater LA Chapter
Deborah Rothhaar, Greater LA Chapter
Karen Kosmala, Loma Prieta Chapter
Julie Rossie, Loma Prieta Chapter
Lohella Buell, East Bay Chapter
Patrice Christensen, Chair, Loma Prieta Chapter

Introductions

Introductions were made. Minutes from the March Meeting were not available for review.

What’s Happening?

Gail P. Lenehan Advocacy Award
- Patrice was approached by the Virginia State Council seeking a letter of support for Cindy Herrell who was being nominated for the 2011 Gail P. Lenehan Advocacy Award. This award is given to a nurse who has had a positive impact on emergency nurses through a sustained commitment of advocacy for emergency nurses’ well-being and welfare (one example might be the health and safety of emergency nurses) or the welfare of vulnerable populations (the homeless, sexual assault victims, or victims of drunk drivers, for example). Nominations for this award must include three letters of support from different states.
- Cindy was a prior member of the San Diego Chapter and active on the State Council. She relocated to Virginia where she has been very active promoting child passenger safety and other injury prevention programs.
- The request was passed onto the Board, who approved the letter of support and Linda wrote a very complimentary letter.

Committee Budget
- Our budget needs to be revised from what was initially approved and what we have had allocated for the past three years. Our 2011 budget will be $2,050 versus $2,500.
Institute for Quality, Safety and Injury Prevention (IQSIP)

- Nothing new from National on reorganization and how injury prevention is going to be addressed by the Institute for Quality and Safety (IQS).

Violence Programs

ENA has focused new efforts on this topic especially workplace violence. On the ENA IQSIP website there is a link to website called VETO – Violence Education Tools On-line. There is a CDC Violence Prevention Course that takes 60-75 minutes and you can obtain CE for it.

Like the SBIRT violence intervention strives to take advantage of teaching moments

- Julie Rossi spoke of the National Network of Hospital-based Violence Intervention Program www.nnhvip.org. Highlights best practices. Helps to link hospitals with resources in the community.
- San Francisco General has a program called the Wrap Around Program. Works with victims of gang-related violence (usually member of opposing gang)
- Highland Hospital works with Youth Alive (www.youthalive.org)
- In most instances, social workers would initiate the dialogue with victims of violence and community resources.

Violence in the Workplace Legislation

- Update on AB 30 provided by Marcus Godfrey. Bill has gone to the Appropriations Committee
- CalENA to support the bill but are really not happy with the way it is written. Redundancy in the new bill with previously proposed AB 508
- Plan is to talk to the Psychiatric Nursed to see what they want to see in the bill and see if our groups can work together.

Next Meeting – August 12, 2011
Monterey