Oregon Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group

November 18th, 2021

Business Meeting Agenda

Location: Virtual Meeting

Continuing Education Presentation 8:30 – 9:30am

Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome

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Business meeting 9:30 – 10:30 am

* Announcements and updates
  + Melissa Nash update on preemie guidelines
    - This project has been taken back over by Jessie Nindel-Edwards.
    - Currently on-hold, likely to re-start working on this in January 2022.
  + Conferences or continuing education opportunities
    - OAND is doing a conference in May, 2022. Will likely be deciding early next year if it will be in-person vs virtual.
      * Stay tuned to learn their decision.
  + Job opportunities
    - None reported
* Treasurer Report and Membership Update
  + Sarah Sahl
    - Our current balance is $4173.70
    - We added 3 new members since our last meeting.
  + Suggestion from Connie re: doing our own conference with the funds we have.
    - Likely too soon to organize for the 2022 year, but something to consider for the future.
  + Suggestion that we sponsor a speaker for OAND’s conference next year.
    - Andi has already looked into this & it’s too late to sponsor a speaker this year.
  + Board has been looking into other continued education opportunities for our members to do, which would also be a good use of these funds.
* New Business
  + Severe formula shortages for WIC-approved powdered infant formulas.
    - Initially thought to be only impacting Similac Total Comfort & Similac Sensitive products, but reports are coming in that there is a shortage in Similac Advanced as well.
      * Looks to be an ongoing issue for 1-2 months.
      * Abbott is sending large shipments of their formula over from Ireland.
    - How WIC is trying to help/adapt:
      * WIC is running regular reports on where clients are redeeming their benefits, so we can send clients to stores that may still have stock on their shelves.
      * Looking into approvals for the “PRO” line of these formulas (although latest report is that these products are also being impacted) as well as larger-can sizes.
      * Offering clients temporary alternative forms of their preferred formula – concentrate or Ready-To-Feed.
* Future Meeting Topic Suggestions/Requests
  + Resources for the large influx of eating disorder clients as brought on by the pandemic.
    - Any suggestions for our group for a speaker on this topic?
  + ARFID Dx in children, and treatment.
    - Possible speaker in Katja Rowell, who Lori Brizee has had good interactions with.
    - CDRC feeding team is also working with these clients, possible speaker from them?
    - Perhaps our very own Lori Brizee can speak on this topic as well. 😊

Next Meeting will be Thursday February 10th 8:30 – 10:30am

Topic: School Lunch Updates, Portland Public Schools

Speaker: Whitney Ellersick, MS, RD, Nutrition Services Senior Director for PPS