## March 2, 2015 Education Committee

#### Members present:

Ellen Johnson	Kristi Jarvis	Karine Zakroczymski
Paula Johns	Linda Walther	
Beck Borrud	Angela Carlson	

**Feb 26 Pediatric presentation** by Laurel Edinburgh was attended by about 24 people. Attendees included advocates, SANEs, ER nurses and school nurses.

**The Regions IAFN Clinical Skills lab** was very well received by the 20 attendees. The plan is to hold this event twice a year- once at Regions and the other time in either the northern or southern part of the state.

## April 24, 2015 BCA Conference planning

Brochures and fliers are done and have been distributed to many teams and people across the state. These include the Dakota County, Hennepin County, Ramsey County SMART teams, MN Investigators, SANE Program Managers, MNCASA email list, Nursing colleges, MN Student Nurses Association, a few Wisconsin nurses, conference speakers, and the MN Chiefs of police. Members can feel free to distribute the flier far and wide. Linda has posted the flyer on the <u>mnforensicnurses.org</u> website and will post it on IAFN too.

Kristi is meeting with the BCA later this week and will get further info on parking and make sure they have the info they need to obtain POST and CLE credits. The BCA wants to wait until we get a final head count closer to the conference date before arranging for catering. Kristi will compile the agenda, speaker handouts, and will obtain and stuff conference folders. She will also speak to the BCA about our technology needs for the conference.

Linda reported registration is going well and 48 people are already signed up. She will be able to send W-9's if organizations require this for payment.

Beck will compile a resource list (1 page double sided) with some local and national resources for victims and professionals who help them. She will look into obtaining brochures for a resource table so people can pick and choose info that suits their needs. Beck will also look into a banner the chapter could purchase to use for multiple events to advertise their sponsorship of the conference.

All committee members are asked to send their ideas for evaluations to Ellen ASAP so we can decide how to evaluate the presenters and the conference, as well as solicit ideas for further trainings.

Paula has been obtaining information from the Country Inn and Suites in Woodbury to see if we can host a preconference networking session. She will get further information on costs and whether the chapter can bring in food to the hotel to keep costs down.

Ellen will get \$50 Target gift cards for the presenters, and will prepare a CEU certificate for nurses.

Karine volunteered to take care of name tags for presenters, participants, and conference staff.

## June education event

Paula has a contact in the MPLS PD evidence room and has arranged for the chapter to be able to tour the MPLS property room and learn about their practices with evidence handling. The group thought a networking event at a local restaurant afterwards (7 PM-?) would be preferable to trying to meet before the tour. Paula and Beck will research possible restaurant locations.

# Collaborating with Wisconsin IAFN on an education event

Ellen has emailed the general Wisconsin Chapter email to see what their interest is in collaborating on an event and will get back to the group when they respond.

# Assessing the education needs of MN forensic nurses

Beck was very interested in exploring education topics which focused on nursing practice to enhance clinical knowledge. The group is interested in assessing the needs of MN forensic nurses and a suggestion was made to send out a Survey Monkey. Linda has access to some reference books that could be used as prizes (draw from a hat) for nurses who completed a survey. <u>Everyone was asked to send sample questions to Linda to assess the education needs of members and non-members alike and to determine a respondent's probability of attending an education event if planned.</u>

The next Education Committee meeting will be held April 13 at 4pm at regions to finalize any last minute details of the conference.

Education Committee is interested in hearing about additional education ideas from the membership and from the committee members not able to attend today. Please email ideas/suggestions to Ellen at <u>ellen.m.johnson@healthpartners.com</u>