



Blood Clot Pulmonary Embolism Policy (BCPEP)

Meeting Minutes

Date: June 26, 2024
Time: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Location: Go to Webinar

Members Present: Ali Ataya, MD, Christopher Pittman, MD, Leslie Lake, Giovanni Betta, Shevrin Jones

Presenter: Dr. Joesph Caprini, MD

Agency Staff Present: Jaime Bustos, Susan Slappey, Nancy Tamariz, Krischell Weston

Meeting Materials: Copies of meeting materials are posted on: [Blood Clot and Pulmonary Embolism Policy Workgroup \(myflorida.com\)](https://myflorida.com/Blood-Clot-and-Pulmonary-Embolism-Policy-Workgroup)

Welcome: Jaime Bustos

Call to Order and Roll Call: Dr. Ataya called roll and introduced the guest speaker.

Action Items and Status Updates: The Agency continues to work on scheduling guest speakers for future meetings. The team is currently finalizing details for an upcoming in-person meeting.

Guest Speaker Dr. Joesph Caprini: Dr. Caprini's presentation was on Preventing Fatal Pulmonary Emboli. Fatal PE is the leading cause of death postoperatively. Patients can access their risk for blood clots by using the Caprini Risk Score, a tool based on clinical criteria and patient history. There is a disconnect between evidence and execution as it relates to VTE prevention. Reducing VTE deaths requires mandatory implementation of appropriate care pathways. There is enough data to prevent many deaths and the data must be used to create programs that will lower this deadly complication in surgical patients.

BCPEP Webpage Mockup Review: The Agency displayed the BCPEP Webpage Mockup. Recommendations were made to include the risk assessment at the top of the screen and to provide a direct link to the assessment on every page. Dr. Caprini offered to make his videos available for use on the site. Members also recommended adding patient testimonials.

Workgroup Discussion: Leslie Lake discussed the need to continue clinician education on blood clots. She believes a recommended mandate be put in place that requires clinicians to take a course on VTE to maintain their license. Dr. Ataya brought up clinicians attending lectures and clinical societies sending out resources to help with education.



The Department of Health currently conducts awareness health campaigns. Giovanni Betta spoke on the legislature recommending the group put together a public awareness campaign to further education. He mentioned the Agency should request funding in October for these efforts.

Meeting Summary and Next Steps: Dr. Ataya updated the group on the progress of the report. Close to one third of the report is complete and will be worked on as the meetings continue. The plan is to share the report with the group at the upcoming in-person meeting. The next steps include focusing on education and risk assessments of patients at risk.

New Action Items	Owner
The AHCA team will work with the Chair to coordinate and schedule an in-person meeting.	AHCA

With no further business to discuss, moved to adjourn, with no objections. The committee adjourned.

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