



**March 7, 2017, 12:00-1:00
Meeting Minutes**

ITV Sites: UK telehealth suite in KY Clinic; CERH-Hazard; Cardinal Hill Hospital Center for Learning

In attendance: Beth Hunter, Julie Brock, Katy Sutton; Keisha Hudson, Pat Kitzman; Lumy Sawaki, Linda Bokros, Doug DuBois, Michelle Graybeal.

1) KY Congress on SCI updates (Beth updates)

- Independence Place partnership continues to develop
- Planning is underway for 2017 Congress (Cardinal Hill, all day Friday, October 6)

2) CARAT update

- Bluegrass Technology Center (BTC) went out of business and it is our hope the the UK Human Development Institute will take over at the new Center in the Central KY. The equipment that is currently housed at BTC's warehouse will be dispersed to the other CARAT and KATS sites. Efforts are underway to establish a CARAT center in Lexington.
- In Hazard, the supply of wheelchairs and quad canes is very low.

3) AgrAbility update (Linda and Beth)

- National Farm Machinery Show had good turnout
- National AgrAbility Workshop will be March 20-23 at Holiday Inn/ World's Fair Park, Knoxville TN.
- Mike Lewis is a new member of the AgrAbility team.
- Beth and Robin will go to American Occupational Therapy Association conference
- New Accessible Gardening program with extension agents – many counties are interested

4) KC³T update (Keisha)

- As a result of PCORI work, the stroke support group is almost outgrowing the room it uses
- End of year data report for ARH soon

- Keisha was asked to speak to the Stroke Care Network about post-discharge experiences

5) **Proposal for new Center in Hazard** (Julie, Pat)

- A few funding opportunities coming up
- Collaboration between UK College of Health Sciences, College of Education/Special Education, HDI, College of Engineering.
- Purpose – to address disability, need for assistive technology/fabrication and augmentive communication, pain in the context of rehabilitation.
- Offers education and workforce development opportunities. CE for healthcare, work with local school systems, cooperate with current high school students' STEM programs, and partner with Hazard Community and Technical College (e.g., their TeleHealth, Physical Therapy Assistants programs, etc.)
- Service component could include KC3T and billable facility/equipment use for local providers
- Research could cover gait analysis, cancer rehabilitation, frailty prevention, other topics
- Pat would like to see a partnership with Voc/Rehab
- Pat has met with Kentucky Valley Education Cooperative (KVEC)

6) **PCORI update** (Pat, Beth)

- The first two work groups were very productive – caregivers, stroke and TBI were represented. Raw emotion and a clear need for services and support.
- Thanks to Michelle (Cardinal Hill) and Eddie (BIAK) in particular for recruiting.
- Pat is meeting Breathitt and Perry county ministers (at the same time as this KARRN meeting) to recruit through faith-based community
- Beth will send Lumy and Michelle IRB materials
- Upcoming PCORI focus groups:
 - March 8 (tomorrow) - Lexington
 - April 11 – Berea – full
 - April 19 - Morehead – **we need help recruiting**
 - April 21 - By phone only (participants who cannot travel) - full
 - April 25 - Hazard
 - May 3 - Lexington
 - May 9 - Louisville

7) **KARRN Conference** (Beth, Julie)

- Still looking for “State of the Art Research” topic speaker, ideally in relation to topics presented earlier in the day (brain/machine interface, communication technology, etc.)
- Carolyn suggested that PCORI is state of the art. The 2018 conference may be a good opportunity to present PCORI, with more data and possible projects by

then. Previous feedback at all other KARRN conferences have asked for continued cutting-edge research, and CE approval requires rigorous scholarly speakers/topics.

- An honorarium and travel expenses can be covered. Lumy will send some suggestions for speakers.

8) Other news or announcements

- **Project with HDI, Kentucky Office of Rural Health – Rural Clinic Accessibility (Pat)**
 - Will work with clinic administrators to identify needed changes
 - Also will work with clinics on funding for changes
 - March 9 assessment at St. Joseph's in Martin, KY
 - Assessment at St. Joseph's in Berea will occur in the upcoming months.