



# NATIONAL HEALTHCARE DECISIONS DAY

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## National Healthcare Decisions Day New York State Diverse Population Subcommittee

Thursday, March 18, 2010  
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

### MINUTES

#### **NHDD NYS Diverse Population Subcommittee 2010 Goal:**

- Increase conversations that lead to completion of health care proxies within diverse populations in New York State.

#### **Meeting Participants**

Alfredo Gonzales, Karen Kremer, Ellen Sorce

#### **Discussion**

##### **Welcome and Introductions**

- Ellen opened the meeting explaining Pat was attending the AAHPM Conference in Boston
- Minutes were reviewed and accepted

##### **Advance Care Planning/MOLST Conference for Professionals**

- Registrants from western New York to New York City to Miami will be attending the March 20<sup>th</sup> conference. There are 89 confirmed, and 5 unconfirmed reservations.
- Registration is not as active as with the March 20<sup>th</sup> conference. To date, there are 55 registrants. A second marketing distribution went out on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

##### **Community Outreach Efforts**

- Alfredo has connected with the Rochester Rotary Latino Club which is celebrating its first anniversary. Alfredo will be attending the celebration and taking flyers.
- Alfredo has attended three health fairs and has passed out approximately 100 Spanish/English flyers. He is also directing people to the website.
- Alicia Sauer reported later that she is still working on securing April dates for outreach. She is a member of the Center for the Elimination of Minority Health Disparities Amsterdam Minority Health Task Force. She plans on meeting with them on March 30<sup>th</sup>, to talk about including advance directives as a topic of areas to address this coming year.
- Alicia also forwarded a notice about a forum to take place in Albany, titled "The Deadliest Disease in America", regarding health disparities. Ellen forwarded the notice to Penny Weller, to be included on the CompassionAndSupport.org web site.

##### **Chi Eta Phi Community Outreach**

- We did not have a representative from this Community. They will be in attendance at the March 20<sup>th</sup> conference.

### **Events at the National Association of Hispanic Nurses**

- Alfredo explained that Liz Aristy would not be attending today. She informed him that she was going to follow up with each member, individually, regarding the All-Day MOLST conferences.

### **Events at Churches**

- Alfredo reached out to Deacon Dan. This is a very busy time with Holy Week approaching and Alfredo was asked to contact him after Easter.
- Pat will be meeting with the Ministers Alliance of Rochester on April 13<sup>th</sup>, to discuss community education opportunities. Pat and Deb are also exploring additional options with churches and nursing homes.

### **Events at High Schools and Colleges**

- Alfredo spoke with the Youth and Family Services of Rochester, and will be meeting with staff within the next few weeks. They post a calendar of events for Adult Education and he thought a workshop/presentation on Advance Care Planning might be the perfect fit.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Ellen Sorce