

**IEPC Meeting**  
**July 27, 2020**  
**9:00 am - 10:30 am PT**  
**Meeting held by Zoom Video Conference**



**MINUTES**

*All people present at this meeting must have a signed IEPC Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA). All content and discussion in this meeting is held to confidentiality in NDA.*

**Present:**

Attendees: Roneet Lev, Sameer Mistry, Reb Close, Peter Anderson, Russ Kino, Kavitha Weaver, Russ Kino, Casey Grover, Steve Sornsin

Admin: Julie Hewett, Danielle Inscoc

**AGENDA:**

**I. Introduction**

Request to send additional reminders for future meetings on Friday prior in addition to the week prior reminder.

**II. Financial Report**

Financials will be updated shortly.

D&O insurance has been reviewed by Julie Hewett (admin) and some recommendations have been made to update it. Requests for quotes for insurance have been sent.

Surprise medical billing – ACEP has taken the position which has been communicated to Mitch McConnell as a request that any discussion in regards to Surprise billing be deferred until after COVID Pandemic has been deemed to be through the “first phase.”

**III. Membership**

David Kevar’s group and Long Beach Emergency Medical Group will not be renewing their membership. Their group went to Virtuuity. There was discussion on this dynamics.

**IV. ACEP Board of Directors**

No update

**V. IEPC Services**

EDBA membership

Resume Sharing

HR Repository

Sexual Harassment Training - California mandate for those with 25 or more "employees" (independent contractors not excluded)

Annual Report - available to any IEPC group who want to invest the time in putting this together

Employment Advertising

Newsletter

**VI. Round Table Discussion**

There was discussion about Telehealth in the emergency department. Some hospital locations have changed their requirements for telehealth appointments to include anywhere the patients are

connected to the appointment rather than requiring them to be at a medical facility when connecting due to the pandemic. There was discussion of whether the hospital is charging additional fees for telehealth meetings; however, this is not being implemented currently in Monterrey. Telehealth appointments are helping with PPE shortages. The Monterrey group shared their experience with telehealth for follow up appointment from the emergency department. Selecting the appropriate patients increased patient satisfaction and assisted with revenue stream. They like an ED visit and see about 15 patients per week.

There was discussion about scribe systems. Several members have noted that they have ended their contracts with Scribe America for various reasons including cost and redundancy.

There was discussion about coercive insurance contracting.

There was discussion about patient call back systems.

There was discussion about back up call system and pay.

There was discussion on Physician extenders. Some groups let go their NP, PAs during the pandemic due to decreasing volume and increased acuity. A recommendation was made to change the model for NP/PA to increase procedures and acuity with increase supervision - like supervising a resident.

**Next Meeting**

Conference Call Monday, August 24 –9 AM PT

Mid-Year Meeting - TBA