

Annual Report 2014-2015

Prophylaxis Committee of the Association of Hemophilia Clinic Directors of Canada

Members of the Prophylaxis Committee:

- Dr. Shannon Jackson (Chair), Dr. Victor Blanchette (Past-Chair), Dr. Manuel Carcao,
- Dr. Robert Klaassen, Dr. MacGregor Steele, Dr. Donald Houston, Dr. Mark Belletrutti,
- Dr. Christine Sabapathy, Karen Strike (PT) (Ex-Officio), Lori Laudenbach (RN) (Ex-Officio)

Changes to Committee Membership:

Lori Laudenbach joined the committee as an interdisciplinary representative from nursing.

Mandate of the Prophylaxis Committee:

- 1. To continue conducting research in the area of clotting factor prophylaxis for all ages by facilitating long-standing collaborations between Canadian Centres.
- 2. To advise the AHCDC regarding the use of prophylaxis in Canada.

Activities in 2014-2015:

Meetings

- 1. Face to face meeting May 23, 2014 AHCDC Montreal
- 2. 1.5 day meeting November 21 and 22, 2014 Toronto
- -co funded by AHCDC (\$5K from Committee Fund) and Bayer (\$5K)
- 3. Teleconference March 31, 2015
- 4. Planned face to face meeting May 29, 2015 Halifax

Projects

- 1. AHCDC Prophylaxis in Adults Survey Deployed August 2014 and closed November 3, 2014. Concurrent participation in the International Prophylaxis Study Group (IPSG) Survey was encouraged this survey evaluated prophylaxis in both adults and pedatrics, with a section on prophylaxis for patients with inhibitors. More detail on both to be presented at 2015 AGM.
- 2. **Possible next CHPS study** Data from 3 phases of CHPS and the CHPS non-participant (includes hemophilia B) studies were presented to prophylaxis committee by CHPS research group and small working group identified who subsequently met by teleconference to discuss research questions/protocol development, logistics, funding etc. Planned virtual webex in April/May 2015 with larger working group and proposed grant writing session in June 2015 in Toronto. If funding application successful, all Canadian centres transitioning CHPS patients will be invited to participate.
- 3. Adult prophylaxis reference/outcomes material a group of 4 adult treaters (Shannon Jackson, Don Houston, Dawn Goodyear and Michelle Sholzberg) are working together on this initiative. An effort to identify and recommend key outcomes for clinics to collect for adults on prophylaxis will be part of this activity.
- 4. **Guidelines for CVAD** a group of pediatric clinicians (Manuel Carcao, Mark Belletrutti, and Lori Laudenbach) are working on this initiative, informed by a recent review of practices in the CHPS/CHPS non-participant cohort.

Respectfully submitted by S. Jackson