

**Virginia Birth Related Neurological Injury Compensation Program
Meeting of Interested Parties
Summary**

Date: June 20, 2006

Location: Medical Society of Virginia,
2924 Emerywood Parkway
Richmond, VA

Facilitator: Marshall Cook

Mr. Cook reviewed the common goal: To develop a plan of long-term financial stability for the Program.

Families expressed concern about:

- Losing benefits.
- Remembering to focus on the needs of the children.
- Recommended looking back at past suggestions for solutions.
- Not having the option of choosing the tort system.

Carry over issues from June 7th meeting:

- Question: What is the makeup of the insurance coverage of the claimants?
Answer: Commercial health insurers cover 74 claimants, however this can fluctuate. 22 claimants are on Medicaid.
- Candace Thomas and Iris Allen handed out the 2004 Annual Review and briefly described the benefits that the Program provides.

An extensive discussion followed on various issues including (but not limited to) the following:

- Level of Program benefits.
- Medicare benefits available.
- Appeals made by the AG's office.
- The definition of "birth injury".
- Why doctors and hospitals do not participate.

Next meeting July 5th same location.

Carry over issues:

- Dollar amounts for Benefits.
- Mail information on meetings to all claimant families with translations for Spanish speakers.
- Next meeting discuss mandatory participation.
- Families requested meeting minutes and an agenda.

Note: List of attendees will be added.