

MARION COUNTY HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2015

5:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

Present: Patrick Vance, Sandra Echavarria, Tracey Robichaud, Sierra Nelson, Tim Murphy, Judy Scott

Absent: Hanten Day, Melinda Veliz, Scott Richards, Mike Mann, Renee Steward, Deborah Carlson

Staff: Rod Calkins, Pam Hutchinson, Cary Moller, Yana Conner (Recorder)

Guests: Ryan Mackey, Patty Vega, Connie Lu

Call to Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes – Patrick Vance - Chair

Patrick called the meeting to order, introductions followed.

Patrick entertained a motion to approve last month's minutes, members voted, motion carried, and minutes were approved.

Patrick introduces Connie Lu, Health Educator/Public Health Associate Program (PHAP) with Marion County. The PHAP is a program administered by the CEC and is an entry level position given to public health professionals seeking more hands on experience at a local and state level. Connie has been with the County for about two years and is finishing her last couple of months here. Connie also coordinated the Girls on the Run program her first year with Marion County.

Announcements/Updates:

Health Building Renovation – Rod Calkins

Rod announces that the building's renovation plans are still moving forwarding and the plan is to start this fall. There are some additions to the plan. The juvenile building will be re-roofed along with a couple other renovations to their building. The main focus for this renovation will be to replace the lighting, elevators, windows, and heating and air conditioning. The WIC program will be moved downstairs. The Center Street building will be split into two different locations during the remodel. One building lease has been finalized. The second lease is still pending, but is in final negotiation. The board members discussed where the September meeting will be held. Sandra will contact Yana about reserving a room in Woodburn. Yana will email the members when a conference room has been scheduled.

CCO/BCN Contract Update – Rod Calkins

Most of our money comes from Willamette Valley Community Health (WVCH) and there is a capitation that goes to the BCN to manage the mental health services in Marion and Polk County. We continue to manage the state money that comes in. Most of the money coming through the system is coming from the CCO. We are six months in the year without a contract. This is becoming more worrisome. Going forward, we will extend our contract, which will need to be modified to cover the payment method. This would last through the end of the year. By then, we will be accounting for how we spent the money and looking at how that compares with Medicaid and Medicare rates.

AMH Contract Issues – Rod Calkins

Rod expresses his concerns regarding the contract with Addictions in Mental Health (AMH). The reports were revised and as long as it is turned in by July 1, 2015, the money will be back in our contract.

Pertussis Outbreak - Pam Hutchinson

Pam states that there is Pertussis in our community all the time, but in this case, the superintendent of the school district called the newspaper and it became a bigger issue than it should have. The newspaper wanted Marion County to release the name of the school, but we felt that it would identify the person(s) affected and jeopardize patient confidentiality. As mentioned in the paper, they gave Marion County a Public Records Request. Pam contacted County Counsel regarding this request.

Reproductive Health – Information & Education Advisory Committee – Patty Vega

Patty Vega has worked at Marion County for twenty years. Nineteen of those years, Patty was a Home Visiting Nurse. She recently took a supervising position. One of the requirements of the Reproductive Health Program is to have an information and advisory committee that represents the client population. About two-thirds of the client population come from a low income household and do not qualify for public or private insurance. The majority of them are well below the poverty level. Three-fourths of the client populations are female and Hispanic, ages 20-30. Currently, the Health Advisory Board has been serving as the information and education committee. It has been a couple of years since the program has reported to the Health Advisory Board. Patty announces an opportunity to have a group who serves as an advisory committee for Family Building Blocks. Family Building Blocks has a parent counsel which mimics this client population. Patty approached Family Building Blocks and talked to them about the group. Family Building Blocks showed interest in serving as the information and advisory committee. The group gathers monthly and Patty would present information that she creates. Any information the state creates would not need to be reviewed because they have their own committee that reviews and approves the information. In addition, Family Building Blocks can provide guidance. Patty is requesting to move these functions away from the Health Advisory Board to Family Building Blocks. Patrick states that he supports it, but has a concern. Patrick suggests that Family Building Blocks acts in capacity of this board and anything they determine will then come back to the Health Advisory Board and the members can discuss and approve it. Patrick adds that it is unlikely the board would disapprove what Family Building Blocks would suggest. Patrick's suggestion would help support the group if there was ever a political issue. Rod agrees, but there is concern regarding timing and getting a quick response back to Patty. Sandra adds a concern that Family Building Blocks is very political. It is decided that the Health Advisory Board will review and discuss the materials annually and Family Building Blocks will act in capacity of the Health Advisory Board.

Task Force Assessment & Collaboration – Connie Lu

Connie explains the background of this assessment. In 2011, there was a community health assessment and it was discovered that the prevalence of Marion County low income obese preschoolers was at 18%. Connie refers to the PowerPoint which shows that Marion County's percentage has increased since. Connie's objectives were to determine current attitudes, beliefs and practices of child care providers that serve preschoolers (nutrition, physical activity, and screen time practices) and identify strategies that the child care community can implement. The survey was distributed to one hundred child care providers and included questions on nutrition, physical activity and screen time practices. The methodology identified three criteria; screen time, sugar-sweetened beverages/food serving practices and physical activity. These were chosen because they are all factors that contribute to obesity. There was a response rate of 45% with Northeast Salem being the most responsive. According to results, Keizer providers were serving the most sugar-sweetened beverages. USDA recommends that children should have at least sixty (or more) minutes of physical activity. More than 75% of each region offered more than sixty minutes. Screen time is not recommended for more than one to two hours per day. Results showed that rural areas are more likely to offer more than one hour of screen time to children. Lastly, the community was surveyed on food serving practices. USDA recommends that children eat in a family style setting with adults eating alongside. Results showed that all regions are lacking in providing a family style setting. Please refer to the PowerPoint for further results for each objective by region.

The next steps are to put some goals in place to increase promotion of family style food service to prevent overeating, increase healthy beverage options, promote increase of physical activity and

discourage or limit screen time. Some of the strategies will be to provide education and educational tools to the providers and parents. There are plans to reassess in three to five years to determine if these goals were met and have made a difference.

Other:

Sierra Nelson and Mike Mann will be re-appointed as members to the Health Advisory Board on June 24th 2015.

Cary announces that the Intellectual Developmental Disabilities Awareness week has been approved. The week is June 14th – June 20th. Next year, Cary will work to align it with the national programs. The Health Advisory Board members congratulate Cary.

Tracey announces her new position at Salem Health as Strategy Projects Specialists. The Bylaws state that Tracey must declare if there is a conflict, but can still vote. The Health Advisory Board members congratulate Tracey.

Future Topics:

HAB Meeting Adjourned.

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2015 Meeting Schedule:
January 20, 2015
February 17, 2015
April 21, 2015
May 19, 2015

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