

MARION COUNTY HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2012
5:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

Present: John Beare, Hanten Day, Cherie Girod, Patrick Vance, Renee Stewart, Mary Beth Thompson, Katherine Fleury, Mike Mann

Absent: Tim Murphy, Judy Scott, Sandy Stewart

Staff: Rod Calkins, Pam Heilman, Scott Richards

Guests: Sue Blayre

Call to Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes

Motion was made to accept February and March 2012 meeting minutes, motion carried and minutes were approved.

Announcements/Updates:

Budget Update:

Rod reported that Marion County is moving into their budget cycle. Budget information for other programs has been recently received; Marion County Health budget is based in part on other program charges. They have had their first meeting with the Budget and Finance Officers. The Budget is currently flat with last year.

There are two different types of departments, a generally funded department which is mainly funded by Marion County tax revenue and transfer departments. Marion County Health is a transfer department and as a transfer department receives a set allocation. If the revenues are flat coming in we will not be able to cover all costs so we will try to find other ways to provide funding i.e., fee for service billing or department savings. The allocation is based partially on the difference between what we are funded and what it costs to run basic health. At this time we do not know what the health budget will look like in terms of revenue and the financial assistance agreement has not been received for some of the health programs. We look to grants to help with funding and are currently putting more into savings. No layoffs have been announced however, if there are further reductions in revenue that may be a possibility but we do not know of any at this time. Furloughs have been discussed briefly with the Board of Commissioners. The revised budget is due next Monday and we are currently in bargaining with the nurse's branch and SEIU. The Budget Presentation is scheduled for June 5th.

Ambulance Service Area (ASA) Update:

Rod reported that Marion County has eleven ASA's and discussed the ASA Plan that is due every five years including the plan that was due this year. The ASA plan spells out where the ambulance boundaries go. The revised boundaries were presented to the Board of Commissioners last month, the new adopted ASA plan takes affect in approximately 90 days. During the ASA renewal period which is approaching, people will get the chance to bid on their ASA's, including out of county people.

A discussion amongst members commenced regarding Marion County 1, Turner Fire and Idanha/Detroit fire districts, ASA's and associated fees. New contracts should be in place as of January 1st.

Cultural Competency Plan:

Scott began by discussing the background of the Cultural Competency Plan which dates back to the last Biennial Implementation Plan (BIP) that was submitted for behavioral health which included a question of whether or not we had a Cultural Competency Plan and if not what are we going to do to come up with a plan. This Cultural Competency Plan will likely need to be submitted with this year's BIP.

This is a quality improvement project that both Public Health and Behavioral health are working on together. This plan fits under the quality improvement structure for the health department. Our current quality structure has six committees including; incident review, clinical review, systems issues, safety, fraud and abuse and DD quality assurance committees. A focus of discussion regarding this plan has been training and interpreter services. A standing committee will come up with recommendations for areas of quality improvement. A draft was passed out and a discussion followed regarding the Cultural Competency Plan. Scott asked that any suggestions be passed on to him or Pam. Scott reported discovering a wealth of training and information they would like to make available to staff, which will be in the new plan.

Guest:

Sue Blayre questioned whether we could share our community assessment survey information with Linn County. Pam suggested we share the information by zip codes. Rod suggested for the future we should be aware of what other counties are doing with county wide assessments.

Subcommittee Reports:**Behavioral Health:**

Mike Mann reported that during the previous behavioral health subcommittee breakout the subcommittee talked about finding ways to improve the quality of services after breaking down the services into different categories.

Scott reported that it is important to note that some Adult Behavioral Health (ABH) scores dropped from previous years and yet others are above average in the wrap around programs. The scores focused on are above a certain number of points and many variables affect the scores.

Members discussed the possible variables that affect the survey scores. Scott reported the Behavioral Care Network (BCN) looks at the scores from the surveys from the five county regions they are serving and from them create training programs like Trauma 101 that many of our staff and many throughout the BCN agencies have participated in.

Public Health:

John Beare reported that Pam presented a PowerPoint CHIP presentation and discussed the 5210 challenge during the last subcommittee breakout and members discussed whether or not they would like to participate in the 5210 wellness challenge.

5210 Wellness Challenge – Public Health Subcommittee proposal:

Pam provided copies of the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) booklet to members including additional copies for members to take with them and provide to their local communities. Pam also provided handouts for the 5210 wellness challenge and showed members a PowerPoint presentation. The 5210 challenge was created after Senator Jackie Winters and Senator Peter Courtney convened a work group to find out what they can do to promote wellness in Marion County at no cost which is how they found the 5210 challenge. This wellness challenge originated on the east coast and was replicated in Maine and is now being seen throughout Marion County in schools and doctors’ offices. Employers are also promoting this and including “I love me champions” in Marion County which is about moving more and eating less. A part of the challenge is tracking what you are eating. Our wellness coordinator sends out an anonymous survey each week and at the end of the challenge a survey is e-mailed to find out how the overall challenge went. Pam provided a sign up sheet for the wellness challenge to HAB members if they are interested, the challenge is voluntary.

Coordinated Care Organizations (CCO):

Rod reported that a letter of intent was submitted at the end of last month by a local group to become a CCO covering Marion and Polk counties. A piece of the application is due April 30th, the financial budget application is due May 14th. If approved the CCO would begin operation August 1st at the earliest, then a graduated roll out would follow from August to November. Rod discussed other groups that may put in applications to become a CCO. Approved CCO’s will be notified in June. Members discussed what might change with CCO’s, potential issues, and the projected savings.

The chair motioned to adjourn, members voted and approved.

HAB Meeting Adjourned.

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2012 Meeting Schedule:

January 17, 2012	June 19, 2012
February 21, 2012	September 18, 2012
March 20, 2012	October 16, 2012
April 17, 2012	November 20, 2012
May 15, 2012	December 18, 2012