

CHILD HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2009

Attendees: Elisabeth Burak, Dr. Elton Cleveland, Carole Garner, Dr. Margaret Harris, Michelle Justus, Barbara Kumpe, Patsy Smith, Paula K. Smith, Brett Stone, Jada Walker, Dr. Bob West, Connie Whitfield

Absentees: Dee Cox (called in), Charlotte Davis, Tyrone Harris, Pam Jones, Kathy McFetridge, Christine Patterson, Dr. W. Tony Thurman, Dr. Karen Young

Substitutes: Delores Sutterfield (Charlotte Davis), Don Johnson (Kathy McFetridge)

Staff: Joy Rockenbach, Mary Wells, Dr. Lynette Bryant

Next Meeting: November 12, 2009

Business:

- ❖ A motion to accept the September 10, 2009, CHAC minutes as corrected was made by Barbara Kumpe. The September 10, 2009, CHAC minutes were approved as corrected.
- ❖ The next CHAC meeting will take place at Heifer Village in conjunction with the Farm to School Conference on November 12, 2009. Seventeen CHAC members registered to attend.
- ❖ Discussion on the news article and recognition letter concerning school districts with a nurse on every campus was tabled until the November meeting. The article will be sent to the Director of the AR Association of Educational Administrators, the AR School Board Association, AR Parent Teacher Association, and school wellness committees.

Guiding Principles Discussion

- ❖ Health Education Objective 1 - Recommendation 1 will be sent to the Board of Education, Objective 1 - Recommendation 2 will be sent to ADE and ADH. The Objective 2 – Recommendation 1 was changed to a strategy. The motion was made by Dr. Bob West. Motion approved.
- ❖ Nutrition Services 2 recommendations will be sent to the Board of Education. The motion was made by Jada Walker and approved.
- ❖ Healthy School Environment 9 recommendations will be sent to the Board of Education. Objective 3 – Recommendation 4 & 5 rationales will incorporate further documentation. The motion was made by Barbara Kumpe. Motion approved.
- ❖ Physical Education and Physical Activity Objective 1 – Recommendations 1 & 2 were amended. Those two along with the remaining 5 recommendations will be sent to the Board of Education. The motion was made by Barbara Kumpe. Motion approved.
- ❖ Staff Wellness Objective 2 Recommendation 1 will be sent to the Board of Education. Objective 1 Recommendation 1 was amended. This recommendation along with the remaining 4 recommendations will be sent to ADE and ADH. Rationales and strategies need to be added. The motion was made by Dr. Margaret Harris. Motion approved.
- ❖ Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services Objective 2 – Recommendations 1 & 2 were amended. Those and the other 2 recommendations will be sent to ADE and ADH. The motion was made by Elisabeth Burak. Motion approved.
- ❖ Family and Community Involvement 3 recommendations will be sent to ADE and ADH. The Strategies section will be further developed. The motion was made by Elisabeth Burak. Motion approved.
- ❖ Health Services Objective 2 – Recommendation 1, Objective 3 – Recommendation 1, and Objective 4 – Recommendations 1, 2, & 3 were amended. These objectives will be sent to ADE and ADH. Objective 1 was tabled until the November meeting for further consideration. The motion was made by Paula Smith. Motion approved.

Superintendent Survey

- ❖ Elisabeth Burak reported on the School Health Survey of Superintendents. Presentation on file.

Reports

Staff Update

- ❖ Mary Wells stated the Lifestage Health Branch is in partnership with the LR Marathon Little Rockers Program to increase childrens participation.

Health Department Update

- ❖ Dr. Bob West reported that the intranasal (live attenuated form) H1N1 flu vaccine is available. Children less than 10 years old will receive two doses of the H1N1 virus vaccine. Children less than 9 years of age without previous flu shots will receive two doses of the seasonal flu vaccine.

Education Department Update

- ❖ Dee Cox, via phone, reported 4 million dollars were appropriated to ADE in conjunction with the Tobacco Tax. One million was designated for facility (joint) use agreements, one million towards technology equipment, electronic health records for school nurses (ADE & Tobacco Tax funds), and two million dollars will go to schools who are presently a part of Coordinated School Health. The two million dollars will be used to create level three wellness centers, increase mental health understanding, and community involvement. Funds will be distributed through a competitive grant process. Medicaid monies will be needed to sustain the wellness centers.

Coordinated School Health Update

- ❖ Grants funded by the Tobacco Settlement Commission are focusing on physical activity for grades K through six. The Letter of Intent is due the end of October, and the deadline for the application is November 20, 2009. A grant workshop is scheduled for October 14.

Hometown Health Update

- ❖ CHNS/CHPS are involved with the flu immunization plan and are prepared for when the mass flu clinics begin on October 19 across the state.
- ❖ Rosemary Withers a CHPS from SE Arkansas is a member of the AR Public Health Leadership Team that won first place for a Teen Dating Abuse Prevention program plan.

Child Nutrition Update

- ❖ The Team Nutrition Grant workshops on whole grain products are on October 19 and 20 at Star City and Hope.
- ❖ A memo will be released the first week in November with regards to a statewide poster contest on nutrition for grades K-12.
- ❖ A state plan is being developed to provide meals to children in the event schools are closed due to H1N1.

Act 1220 Coordinator Update

- ❖ Jada Walker and Joy Rockenbach did a presentation on the Changes of Act 1220 and the partnerships involved at the Southern Obesity Summit in Austin, Texas on October 4-6, 2009.
- ❖ Twelve schools will be participating in the APSCN BMI Pilot. The schools that already enter their BMI into APSCN will be used.

Action(s) Required:

- ❖ Revise the initial article and letter to acknowledge school districts that have nurses on every campus.

Additional Update

- ❖ Joy Rockenbach stated the Arkansas Coalition for Obesity Prevention meeting will be held October 15, 2009. The Coalition received a \$15,000 grant from the National Initiative for Children's Healthcare Quality to train health care professional to become advocates for childhood obesity prevention. Seven applications have been received for the Growing Healthy Communities workshop.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.