

CHILD HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

July 9, 2009

- Attendees:** Elton Cleveland, Carole Garner, Kathy McFetridge, Paula K. Smith, Jada Walker, Bob West, Elisabeth Burak
- Absentees:** Dee Cox, Charlotte Davis, Margaret Harris, Tyrone Harris, Hollie Huckabee, Sherry Ratliff, Patsy Smith, Michelle Justus, Barbara Kumpe, Christine Patterson, Dianne Vibhakar, Karen Young
- Substitutes:** Dr. W. Tony Thurman (Joe Don Parris) and Dr. Kerry Daniels (Karen Young)
- Staff:** Joy Rockenbach, Mary Wells, Dr. Lynette Bryant
- Next Meeting:** August 13, 2009

- ❖ Kathy McFetridge called the meeting to order. Minutes of the May 14, 2009 and June 11, 2009 meeting were not read and not approved. A quorum was not obtained. Discussion continued on recommendations.

Guiding Principles Discussion

- ❖ Recommendations and objectives of the Health Education and Health Services Components were discussed, changes made and approved at the May meeting.
- ❖ Elisabeth Burak will follow up on information with regards to the Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services Component.
- ❖ The tentative plan is to have all recommendations and objectives for all components approved in August's meeting. .

Reports

Staff Update

- ❖ A new chair shall be elected in the August meeting.
- ❖ Brett Stone will replace Hollie Huckabee.
- ❖ Pam Jones will replace Sherry Ratliff.
- ❖ Dr. W. Tony Thurman will replace Joe Don Parris.
- ❖ Connie Whitfield will replace Dianne Vibhakar.
- ❖ All terms will begin August 1, 2009.

Health Department Update

- ❖ Mary Well stated the Lifestage Health Branch of ADH funding was approved and will receive a CDC Obesity Prevention Grant which has components about nutrition and physical activity of children. She will be focus on promotion and implementation of NAP SACC. NAP SACC is the nutrition and physical activity self assessment for child care centers. It is analogist to the school health index, yet it is for early childhood sites. It is possible 25 new settings will be accommodated with the addition of the funding received. We will partnership with DHS and Martha Hiett's group.
- ❖ Dr. Bob West finished block grant application.

Educational Department Update

- ❖ Paula K. Smith stated the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) will work in conjunction with the Department of Health in obtaining funding from the Department of Health for automated external defibrillators to be placed on every school campus due to the Antony Hobbs III Act (Act 496). The ADE will devise rules for Act 496 of the 2009 Session brought about by The Hobbs' Family and Senator Tracy Steele. Dr. Elton Cleveland stated the AED Rules are being drafted. Schools are recommended to have fundraisers for the purchase of an AED or utilize stimulus funds.
- ❖ The School Health Conference will be held on July 15-16, 2009 at the Statehouse Convention Center. It is the kick off for the Mass Flu Clinic for the schools. The governor and all the key heads of agencies will attend plus there will be media. The key note speakers will be Dr. Pat Cooper and Dr. Jeff Perry. Approximately 400 registered and 36 vendors.

- ❖ The Summer Institute for Coordinated School Health Schools is July 14, 2009. A School Mass Flu Clinic will be held between October 19 and December 31, 2009. We will work to have 100% involvement of the schools. The schools will partner with their local health units to set up dates for the flu vaccines. The tobacco tax money will pay for the flu vaccine. It is anticipated 455,000 children will receive the flu vaccine which is inclusive of grades K through 12. This is the Governor's wish.

Hometown Health Update

- ❖ Nancy Green presented the update on CHNS/CHPS. The CHNS/CHPS report will be placed in the folder for July 9th meeting. Anna Haver is the new CHPS for the Central Region.
- ❖ Cheryl Lindly states a presentation will occur at the September Grand Rounds on a Program being conducted in Hope, Arkansas. They are in partnership with the Southwest Region, for the 3rd year, on a workshop geared for coaches and teachers. The School Nurse Workshop is working on a way in which the nurses may complete CME package with the flu vaccine initiative. The intranet will be accessible with regards to flu information.

CHAC Chair Update

- ❖ Kathy McFetridge stated she attended PE for Life Conference along with Joy Rockenbach. It was well attended with physical education instructors, coaches, and health teachers designed to help them develop different ways to utilize P.E. for LIFE concept of. Kathy also went to Washington, D.C. to talk about Senate Bill 934 and House Bill 1234. While there she visited with Dr. Boozman plus the staff of Senator Pryor, Representative Snyder, and Representative Berry. The bill would strengthen components outside of school lunch. There was a press conference. The Center for Science in the Public Interest conducted the conference. It was sponsored by The Participant Media Group. Senator Blanche Lincoln has signed onto the bill.

Child Nutrition Update

- ❖ Sheila Brown stated Act 1220 mandates a Manager Certification. There will be approximately 130 new people starting the 4 year process with 250 people recertified. In August there will be a Child Nutrition Director Conference. Presently, over 300 child nutrition directors will be in attendance. The economic stimulus money, totaling about 1.2 million dollars, will be used for equipment. Not every school request for funding was honored. There is a Fruit and Vegetable grant which will fund 47 schools totaling to about 1.5 million dollars. Half of the schools which requested funding were honored by this grant. Also, Deanna Gilbert whom is Hope's Child Nutrition Director attended the National School Nutrition Association Meeting and was a speaker on the fresh fruit and vegetable segment.

Act 1220 Coordinator Update

- ❖ The BMI Collection Data Base is closed for the year with approximately 98% participation by the schools. This is in line with past data reports.
- ❖ An annual update report of activities of the committee is being required. Kathy, Joy, and Mary are working on it.

Act 1220 Evaluation Update

- ❖ Jada states the evaluation is in data analysis. She and Joy applied to present at the Southern Obesity Conference in Austin, Texas.

Action(s) Required:

- ❖ Mary Wells sent Martha Hiatt an updated version of the drafted recommendations to review their appropriateness for pre-K.
- ❖ Elisabeth Burak will review and rework on changes in the Component: Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services.
- ❖ Committee members will review changes to the Guiding Principles' recommendations prior to the August meeting for finalization.
- ❖ Barbara Kumpe is at the Capitol.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.