



Peoria County Board of Health Community Health Services Committee Meeting

Date: May 27, 2014

Present: Nora Sullivan
Terry Waters
Dr. Hippler

Absent: Rev. Duren

Others Present: Greg Chance, Public Health Administrator
Kristin Grubb, Administrative Assistant
Curt Fenton, Director of Child & Family Health
Gene Huber, Director of Financial Services
Kelly Stewart, Maternal Child Health Coordinator
Bonnie Paris, Quality Quest for Health of Illinois

Meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm by Ms. Sullivan.

There were no public comments.

A motion was made by Mr. Waters to approve the meeting minutes of March 19, 2014. Motion was seconded by Ms. Sullivan. Motion carried (3, 0).

In the first item of business, Mr. Chance stated that the draft FY15 budget is being reviewed by all three Board of Health Committees this month. He reminded the Committee that the Administration & Governance Committee is provided the entire budget; however, the other two Committees will only see the budgets for their respective program areas. Any requested changes will be made with a revised draft shared at the June Board of Health meeting. Final adjustments will be made at the July Committee meetings with the proposed FY15 budget listed as an action item on the August Board of Health agenda. Mr. Chance stated that there are still some unknowns with the draft budget due to the State of Illinois budget, particularly regarding general revenue funds. The draft FY15 budget does not have any significant changes from this year's budget; there is a proposed increased of 1 FTE. Discretionary funding for community health improvement remains at \$250,000.00; the draft FY15 budget also reflects salary increases as dictated by the collective bargaining agreement. It is not know what the increase to health insurance will be; therefore, a 10% increase was included in the draft budget. Ms. Huber reviewed the program area draft budgets. There was discussion regarding dental services; Ms. Huber stated that Dr. Bishop may have been too conservative with the estimated revenue from Public Aid. Mr. Chance stated that the Dental Clinic is seeing few patients; the no show rate is around 28%. Dr. Hippler suggested utilizing marketing funds to increase revenue in the Dental Clinic. Mr. Chance stated that there is decreased opportunity to bill Medicaid for services conducted in the Maternal Child Health programs; it appears that this is a result of services being coordinated via a managed care entity. Revenue from billable services has been used to offset the cost of providing services.

In the next item of business, Ms. Stewart stated that the Health Department received \$184,000.00 for the In-Person Counselor Grant, which ends June 30, 2014. The

Illinois Association of Public Health Administrators (IAPHA) received a grant from IDPH; IAPHA then had 72 subcontractors for the grant. The purpose of the grant was to educate and help enroll people in the Health Insurance Marketplace. According to the State, there were 16,924 people in Peoria County without health insurance. The grant provided funds for 3 FTEs; 2.2 In-Person Counselors and .8 for financial and clerical support. State and federal online and in person training was required for the In-Person Counselors; the Health Department has four certified counselors. Ms. Stewart reviewed how Grant activities went for FY14. She stated that the Health Department assisted 1,804 clients and there were 892 successful applications. Ms. Stewart stated that IDPH and IAPHA are keeping statistics regarding the grant; data reflecting how many people were helped should be available at a later date. Mr. Chance stated that other entities also have navigators and counselors to assist people; individuals could also sign up on their own. He added that, because the Health Department helped them sign up, when clients run into issues such as not being covered when they think they are, they contact us for assistance. Mr. Chance stated that the Get Covered Illinois program staff is in the Governor's office and there have been issues with the program's management. The Health Department was not allowed to do marketing; this was all handled by Get Covered Illinois. Regarding FY15, Ms. Stewart stated that some things to consider would be the funding level and if it would sustain appropriate staffing; community need; and duplication of service. Heartland Clinic, the Migrant Council, the Black Chamber of Commerce and the hospitals are all providing assistance. Mr. Chance stated that there may be a new grant opportunity to continue fulfilling this role. For FY14, contract employees were utilized; this was negotiated through the union. Mr. Chance stated that the demand for service is very cyclical. He stated that he is looking from direction from the Committee due to the tendency of the State of Illinois to announce the grant opportunity with a very tight deadline for applications. In response to a question regarding doing work in the community, Ms. Stewart stated that enrollments were done at events in the community. Mr. Chance stated that the Health Department has tried to engage not-for-profits and faith-based community. Committee members were in agreement to direct the Administrator to seek grant funds in FY15 to continue IPC activities.

In the next item of business, Mr. Chance stated that he would like to determine the Committee's interest in continuing some of the projects beyond the end of the Community Transformation Grant in September; therefore, he asked Ms. Paris to provide a project update. The \$2.4 million grant ends September 29th. Ms. Paris distributed information to the Committee members; she then reviewed project activity information. Ms. Paris stated that 75% of employers do not have a Worksite Wellness Policy; these tend to be smaller employers. She added that a Worksite Wellness Toolkit was developed. Ms. Paris stated that, as part of the Southside Community Wellness initiative, a program is being developed where individuals can sign up to have a basket of produce delivered to them each week. Along with this, individuals can be taught how to prepare the food they receive. A toolkit for this initiative will be available in English and Spanish. Dr. Hippler suggested having peer mentors help teach others how to cook. Ms. Paris stated that a challenge with the grant is that nothing can be done that is considered direct services; however, partnering agencies are able to supplement activities. Mr. Chance stated that current Quality Quest staff is funded 100% by the CDC grant; employment ends when the grant stops. From the beginning, the 12 subcontracts have been advised that the funding is not sustainable. Mr. Chance stated that the Board of Health has discretionary funds that can be used for continuing some of these programs. There are also new CDC grant opportunities being released; "Partnerships to Improve Community Health" is one grant opportunity that was recently announced. Mr. Chance asked the Committee if, based on the presentation, there is any program currently funded by the CTG that they believe

should have continued funding. If so, Mr. Chance suggested having the subcontractors provide project proposals to the Committee, who could then make a recommendation to the full Board. There was discussion regarding activities relating to healthy living and healthy eating. Ms. Paris stated that project outcome data should be available at the end of August. It was decided that Mr. Chance will contact the subcontractors and ask them to prepare information for the Committee meeting in July.

In the next item of business, Mr. Chance stated that additional information regarding poor birth outcomes is being presented to the Board based on previous discussions. Mr. Fenton gave a PowerPoint presentation concerning infant mortality data. Dr. Hippler asked if there is a breakdown of cause of death and age at death. Mr. Chance stated that the Health Department Vital Records staff has access to birth and death records so the information being requested can be obtained. It would be helpful to determine if an intervention needs to be done during pregnancy or once the child is born. Mr. Chance stated that this is the beginning of evaluating this issue and seeking direction regarding specific interventions. Data will be obtained regarding cause of death then the Committee will need to let staff know if there is interest in pursuing interventions regarding infant mortality.

In the next item of business, Mr. Chance provided an update regarding activities of the Reproductive Health Workgroup. The Workgroup is attempting to create community dialogue around the issues of sexually transmitted diseases and teen pregnancy; the Workgroup will be engaging the faith-based entities in the most affected areas of the community. Mr. Chance stated that District 150 received a grant from the Illinois State Board of Education in response to legislation regarding a comprehensive sexual education curriculum. The Health Department, through the Regional Superintendent's Office, has been able to engage District 150; Ms. Hendrickson, Mr. McClallen and Ms. Harant attended a meeting with District 150 leadership and have been asked to make a presentation to the School Board.

In the next item of business, Mr. Chance shared information regarding care coordination rollout by the State of Illinois for Medicaid clients. He also shared information regarding the Health Department billing entities such as Meridian directly.

Mr. Chance also shared a memo from the Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health regarding Regional Health Improvement Hubs. The vision in the grant proposal from the State of Illinois to the federal government is population health improvement as well as quality in patient care issues. Mr. Chance stated that this vision seems to be aligned with senior leadership in IDPH and the governor's office regarding population health improvement. The timing of this is very prudent in terms of the State moving forward with a regional vision; Peoria's region is a bit ahead of the curve and should be strategically placed for grant funding to help in the regional vision for population health improvement. The Governor's office will be holding regional workshops to further discuss the hub concept.

Mr. Chance stated that a Regional Health Improvement Workgroup of Quality Quest will have a conference call on Thursday to discuss utilizing the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) to assist in creating a framework and governance structure for the proposed Regional Health Improvement Collaborative.

Mr. Chance stated that IDPH expects to see a new Community Health Improvement Plan from the Health Department by next fall. He added that our Plan received a one year extension so by next fall the current Plan is only four years old. Mr. Chance stated that it is also important to develop a Plan that is aligned with those of the

hospitals. He added that Dr. Hasbrouck, Director of IDPH, sent a memo stating that if local health departments become accredited, the five year time frame will be waived to coincide with the five year accreditation cycle. Mr. Chance stated that his suggestion is to combine with the hospitals to have one community health needs assessment.

Being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 6:50 pm.