



Marion County Board of Health

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Minutes

Marion County Board of Health
2003 North Lincoln, Knoxville, IA
July 25, 2017
5:30 pm.

In attendance: Huyser, Willis, Remington, Raymie Absent with notice: Klein

Staff in Attendance: Kim Dorn, Cory Frank, Larissa Van Donselaar, Rachel Cecil

Chair Huyser opened meeting at 5:36. .

Dorn requested that the agenda be amended to move Program Update (SIM) to top of agenda.

Motion to approve agenda as amended by Willis. Support by Remington. M/C Ayes All.

Dorn reviewed financials for end of year. She discussed the Medicaid reimbursement, and that there is about 90,000 out in billed grant services yet to be paid. Discussed new Financial Coordinator hired, qualifications, background. Minutes in packet.

Motion by Raymie, support by Remington to approve the consent agenda. M/C Ayes All.

Business: Van Donselaar reviewed the SIM program report, providing additional detail. She discussed the farmers market/Farm Stand that is held at MCPHD, the work done with the hospitals and clinics with diabetes, the ESL classes that will be held at MCPHD this fall to assist the Somali families to assimilate and increase employability. The discussion of the influx of immigrants to the community, without notice, and the impact on the school, and the role public health is taking in providing immunizations and other health services.

Frank updated the board regarding the Pershing Attica project. He reported that the Board of Supervisors took action this morning, determining that a community septic system is not financially feasible, and they directing the Public/Environmental Health department to move forward with the on-site septic work plan for Pershing/Attica.

Cecil presented about MCAH, I-Smile, and 1st Five programs, and the current activities of the programs. Discussed the distribution of puberty kits to schools for distribution, focusing on adolescent health. Discussed Oral health Older Adult Screening Survey, and the potential for oral health I-Smile Silver. Discussed delta Dental mini-grant, ADA Harris Grant, School Sealant Program, Oral Health in Preschools, Give a Kid A Smile Days – 4 are planned this year in the service area. Discussed changes in DWP. She reported that two staff at MCPHD have now been trained as Mental Health 1st Aid, and Teen Mental Health 1st Aid trainers. MCPHD received insulin syringes from Americares, and are developing a process to provide (with script) free syringes to uninsured and underinsured residents. Americares also provided free Band-Aids and sunscreen for distribution to residents.

Dorn discussed the changes in WIC grant. Lucas County was awarded to another WIC provider, and there was a loss of 47,000 in the WIC budget associated with that change. The change will take place effective October 1. Necessary budgetary cuts will need to occur to accommodate that change.

Dorn discussed the CHNA HIP and the new approach that will be taken to help to accommodate the differing schedules in the requirements for the hospitals and PH, in an attempt to reduce duplication of efforts. There will be a “Summit Series”. Subject matter will vary, and it will be data driven. In August there will be a Mental health Summit, Food Summit will be held in August or September. Substance



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Abuse is another community need that will be examined. The goal will be for the CHNA/HIP process to become an ongoing process, rather than an event.

Dorn discussed the Regional Emergency Preparedness, and provided the board with the map of the service area, discussed that we are a sub-region of the Polk County region, which consists of approximately 25 counties. The IC region has been directed by the state to meet routinely with the 1A&B, so that we are similarly organized. Discussion regarding centralization to Polk. The board was provided a draft of the work plan in the packet. Dorn discussed the work of the PAC system Development Committee, and that it sounds like the intent is that this system could become a template for public health regionalization in the future.

Dorn discussed the Early Childhood Iowa – JMP work toward merging Jasper County Parents as Teachers program with Marion County’s program, as the current 501c-3 that houses PAT in Jasper sunsets. In an attempt to decrease administrative overhead and accreditation fees. The current plan is for the Jasper employees to join with Jasper County Public Health, and the leadership of the PAT to come from Marion County PH. The details need to be worked out by next grant year.

Dorn reported that HIPAA training was provided to staff at staff meeting this month, and that she will be making a shift in the method of providing that training. It will become a permanent staff meeting agenda item so that HIPAA is in front of the staff at each meeting, thus creating a consistent communication of HIPAA.

Motion to adjourn by Raymie. Support by Remington. M/C Ayes All.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Dorn, Recorder

