

MINUTES OF: Public Health Advisory Committee Meeting
DATE: Thursday, October 12, 2017
TIME: 8:00am-9:15am
LOCATION: Health & Human Services Building, Public Health Center Room 1001



Members Present: Kerri Ackerman, Waukesha Sixteenth Street Community Health Center; Dr. Steven Andrews, Waukesha County Medical Society; Mary Baer, Citizen Member; Dr. Ross Clay, Citizen Member; Dr. Marshall Jennison, Citizen Member; Jessica Kadow, ProHealth Care Community Outreach Hispanic Health Resource Center; JoAnn Weidmann, Citizen Member

Members Absent: None

Ex Officio Members Present: Cindy Barfknecht, Waukesha County Public Health Division, CD Supervisor; Dr. Nancy Healy-Haney, Waukesha County Public Health Division, Manager; Theresa Imp, Waukesha County Public Health Division, Family & Community Health Supervisor; Ben Jones, Waukesha County Public Health Division, Health Officer; Trista Neary, Waukesha County Public Health Division, Administrative Specialist; Mary Smith, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Waukesha County, Manager

Ex Officio Members Absent: Mary Jo Hamman, Waukesha County Public Health Division, WIC Supervisor; Sarah Ward, Waukesha County Environmental Health Division, Manager

AGENDA	TOPICS	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS	DATE DUE
Call to Order		Chair Dr. Marshall Jennison called the meeting to order at 8:01am		
Approval of Minutes		Mary Smith requested correction to ADRC update. 26% of <i>calls into ADRC</i> was corrected to 26% of <i>APS investigation calls</i> . MOTION: Mary Baer moved, second by Jessica Kadow to approve the minutes of September 14, 2017. Motion carried 7-0		
Advisory Committee	2018 Public Health Budget	Final 2018 budget presentation to the finance committee was on Tuesday, October 10 in the amount of \$3,321,675 which is supportive of a level two health department. Government grants are down by \$75,000 and charges for service down \$62,000. With revenue down by \$137,000, tax levy dollars have been increased by \$109,000 to \$2,277,000 in order to maintain the level two department status. This tax levy increase is among the largest received to support the division. Due to the decline in client enrollments and revenues, the division will be downsized by one public health nurse position and WIC on-call staff. Largest factor in overall program decreases is the continued WIC program decline. WIC program funding was level at the beginning of 2017 at \$443,000 but then incurred two reductions. After two 2017 reductions, the WIC budget is currently \$414,000. Most recent figures for 2018 budget are \$406,000. These reductions cannot maintain the WIC staffing level so the program has been downsized a nutritionist by half time. No staff layoffs are expected because there is currently one unfilled position. WIC participation numbers have shown a consistent		

		<p>decrease following the enrollment jump post 2008 recession. Monthly enrollment for 2008 was 1900, in 2010 monthly enrollment jumped to 2259, in 2013 it was 2160 and in 2016 it was 1900. 2017 is estimated to close with approximately 1850 per month. 7% decline in the Waukesha County's 0 - 4 years age group population, between 2014-2017 is a likely statistical factor of program decline, along with the 48% increase of the county's 65 years + population, between 2016-2017. County vs. state enrollment is comparable with declines across the country. Over the last 5 years Waukesha County WIC enrollment is down 16%, state enrollment overall is down 15%. Health check enrollment, WIC integrated program, is mirroring the WIC program decline with \$53,000 revenue decline.</p> <p>Mary Baer questions whether immigration or the number of undocumented clients could be playing a role in the decline of participation as well. Kerri Ackerman stated that Milwaukee County's WIC numbers have also been decreasing and Jessica Kadow has seen the same with clients stating they are fearful to apply for public assistance programs, including WIC / Food Share, ect. Milwaukee County WIC is now offering refugee outreach services and Kerri suggests partnership collaboration between Sixteenth Street Community Health Center and Waukesha County WIC, offering outreach services at SSC might help increase WIC enrollment numbers.</p>		
Committee Reports	Health & Human Services Board	<p>No change on the appointment of HHS board liaison. Nancy spoke with Chuck Wood; chair, HHS Board; on behalf of Dr. Jennison regarding board recruitment, no determination yet on an HHS board liaison appointed to the Public Health Advisory Committee.</p>		
	Environmental Health Division – Sarah Ward	No Update		
	Aging & Disability Resource Center – Mary Smith	<p>Mary Smith informs that the ADRC has also completed presenting the 2018 budget at approximately \$9,000,000. Received a 4% increase in state transportation that was not included in budget amount bringing that total to \$910,000 for specialized transportation for 18 – 59 year olds and seniors 65 years +.</p> <p>Dementia Care Specialist position was approved for an additional two years and currently recruiting for a project manager to oversee the dementia care grant.</p> <p>Dementia summit in December, educating about care for dementia patients with challenging behaviors, what type of community care is available and effective planning for people in crisis. Currently there are</p>		

		<p>no facilities in Waukesha County that will accept a patient with this classification and residents are referred to Dane or Dodge County.</p> <p>Mary offers to have a Dementia Care Specialist from the ADRC present to the committee.</p>	Dementia Presentation	12/14/17 Meeting
Public Health Division Reports	<p>Manager - Dr. Nancy Healy-Haney</p>	<p>Currently recruiting for public health nurse to fill open position. There is a nursing shortage in the US with a severe shortage in WI and more staffing challenges ahead in order to meet the growing demands of CD while still meeting the needs of the Family and Community section.</p> <p>UA testing has doubled since it started as a support program to three other HHS divisions; economic support, child & family and adolescent services. Numbers were projected at 700 for 2017 and are estimated to end the year at 1050, with 50% of the clientele being drug positive.</p>		
	<p>Health Officer - Ben Jones</p>	<p>WIPFLI Audit – County initiated audit is scheduled for December 6 and 7, where an outside firm will be looking at how we can do things better. The main focus will be on our billing practices. With health checks down and reimbursements at only 50%, coding practices will be looked at to see if charges can be submitted differently to increase reimbursement rate. Excluding public health completely from insurance contracts could also prove to be more cost effective. 75 records are being reviewed and over 900 documents have been uploaded for the operational portion of the audit. Audit results will be presented to county board, highlighting things that need to change to benefit public health in a way that will initiate action.</p> <p>Ben is working towards his green belt for a lean project involving the walk in clinic. Goal is to streamline the flow and efficiency, making the experience better for both patients and staff.</p> <p>CHIPP – Meeting is scheduled for mid-October with a collective impact specialist to go over the top three health priorities that have been established for Waukesha County: 1) Opiates 2) Mental Health 3) Physical Activity and Nutrition. Action teams will be formed for each priority with the goal of an implementable plan by Summer 2018 and 3 ½ years of active implementation.</p>		
	<p>Communicable Disease – Cindy Barfknecht</p>	<p>New public health nurse started on Monday, October 9. She is a recent graduate and will need a high level of training but is very enthusiastic and eager to learn and is doing well in her first week.</p> <p>Public health nurse / immunization coordinator has resigned. Two current nurses will be taking over the immunization program while we recruit for a replacement.</p> <p>There has been a decrease in immunizations. Nancy states that one factor in this decline could be the Affordable Care Act, making</p>		

		<p>availability of care, but not accessibility. Copays are extreme for many families so they don't come in to get immunized.</p> <p>TB Update – Currently there are 5 active TB cases. This does require a lot of time from our nursing staff. Most TB patients are compromised older adults with other complicated medical conditions. Treatment for TB is a minimum of 6 months. For the 5 active cases we currently have, this will entail over 1000 visits from our nursing staff to provide DOT.</p> <p>Nancy informs that communicable diseases have doubled since 2010. With the 5 year population growth projection, the demands of our CD team will continue to increase. The health department is the first indicator of trends coming and the challenges that are ahead for the county as a whole. Our management team continues to work together, looking at options on how to adjust and accommodate to these changing times.</p>		
	Family & Community Health – Theresa Imp	<p>2017 maternal child health grant; Safe Sleep Program; is wrapping up. Campaign objective this year was to educate child care providers. Response was great with requests from group centers to offer additional trainings for new employees. There was one infant death at a private in home child care facility in Waukesha County. Program will repeat in 2018 with a focus on in home care. Team will attend annual summit and new trainings to implement in the 2018 campaign.</p> <p>Looking to expand Chronic Disease program to offer cholesterol, glucose and blood pressure screenings at additional meal sites, including HOPE Center in Waukesha. This is one of the largest meal sites in the area and currently screenings are only offered at the meal site in Butler.</p> <p>Marketing efforts are in process to reach out to area physicians and inform them of the services and programs we offer.</p>		
	WIC – Mary Jo Hamman	No Further Update		
Walk-In Items		<p>Dr. Ross Clay requests time to present on H7N9 Avian Flu at the next Public Health Advisory Committee meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Marshall Jennison requested feedback from the committee on what the next steps should be to improve the public health department and limit the cuts in order to prevent a decline in the quality of services. Public health is currently managing, but has no surge capacity, which an epidemic or pandemic would require. There is not enough staff to be prepared to respond to a large outbreak. Dr. Jennison indicates that he has previously spoken to the HHS Board and the County Executive about Waukesha County moving public</p>	H7N9 Presentation by Dr. Clay	11/9/17 Meeting

		<p>health into the HHS department, requiring sharing of funds, which is where the financial rub comes from. With the decrease in the number of nursing staff over the last few years, the division is being slowly cut off and soon people will not be able to get the treatment they need. He questions whether his next contact should be the County Board, Medical Society or general public notice. Dr. Jennison encourages members to bring any suggestions to the group at committee meetings or contact him directly. Kerri Ackerman suggested local partnerships to respond to public health emergencies.</p> <p>Kerri Ackerman updates that Sixteenth Street Clinic is expanding and has recently hired two new providers; one which will provide obstetric services; one child / family psychotherapist and one psychiatrist. They are also on the cusp of hiring an internal medicine provider to accommodate Waukesha County's aging population.</p>		
Next Meeting		Thursday, November 9, 2017		
Adjournment		9:12am MOTION: Chair Dr. Marshall Jennison moves to adjourn; second by Dr. Steven Andrews		

Minutes by: Trista Neary

Minutes Approved On: 11/16/2017