



**Health Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 27, 2019**

**Attendees: 35 attendees with 5 were first time attendees**

Richard Holaday opened the meeting with a welcome and allowed members to introduce themselves to the group. (8:35)

**Approval of January Meeting Minutes** – Motion to Accept made by Mary Johnson, Polly Pusey seconded

**Action Items:**

**Guest Speaker:**

**Loretta Higgins, Palliative Nurse Practitioner, Delaware Hospice:**  
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- ✓ Discussion around the importance of Death and a Living Wills
- ✓ Death with Dinner?? A book that has a conversation around the table to discuss this topic and helpful ideas how to approach the topic.
- ✓ Your Conversation Starter Kit. This covers final step and end of life care. This can be downloaded.
- ✓ 60% percent say they don't want to burden their family
- ✓ 56% have not communicated their end of the life wishes
- ✓ 90% of people say that talking with their loved ones about the end of the life care is important
- ✓ 27% have done so
- ✓ 80% of people say that if seriously ill, they would want tot talk to their doctor about wishes for medical treatment toward the end of their life
- ✓ 7% report having had this conversation with their doctors
- ✓ 82% of people say its important to put their wishes in writing
- ✓ 23% have actually done it
- ✓ It all starts with conversation
  - Bucket list
  - Likes and dislikes
  - What relaxes you
  - What is your favorite music?
  - What are your favorite colors?
    - Did you know that color and smells are important to stress reduction
  - Where would you like to be
  - What is most comfortable
  - Who is important to you?
- ✓ **Advance Directive** (tells what you want)
- ✓ Living will
- ✓ *Do you want hydration, feeding, CPR, dialysis, medications?*

- ✓ Healthcare power of attorney (POA)
- ✓ *Who do you want to carry out YOUR wishes when you can no longer communicate*
- ✓ Do not resuscitate (DNR)
- ✓ *Put in place for those deemed terminally ill. Do you want CPR if you stop breathing (compressions and breaths)?*
- ✓ Organ donation
- ✓ *Would you want any viable organs to go to others should you die?*
- ✓ **DMOST** (for those with 12 months or less to live)
- ✓ *Signed by a physician making this medical order*
- ✓ *Kept in a pink envelope*

**Charita Jackson-Durosinmi, Westside Family Health, Migrate Program:** [Charita.Jackson-Durosinmi@Westsidehealth.org](mailto:Charita.Jackson-Durosinmi@Westsidehealth.org)

- Migrant Seasonal Farm Workers – the only one that gets the federal grant program in the state
- The Bureau of Primary Health Care through Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act made provisions to provide healthcare services to special populations.
- Section 330G identifies the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Workers as a part of this special population.
- Westside has been around for 30 years.
- There are three categories by which a farmworker can be classified:
  - Migratory
  - Seasonal
  - Aged/Disabled
- Questions to help determine eligibility:
  - Ever worked in agriculture?
  - Moved for the purpose of working in agriculture?
  - Agriculture is the principal employment?
  - Used to work in agriculture before retirement or disability?
  - In order to ensure that WFH is tracking services provided to our MSAW population we must properly identify and record the classification of each farmworker in the EMR
- Outreach Team consist of
  - ✓ Family Nurse Practitioners (2)
  - ✓ Certified Medical Assistant/Lab
  - ✓ Technician
  - ✓ MHU Driver
  - ✓ Case Managers/Medical Receptionist (4)
  - ✓ Director of Rural Health Outreach
- Migrant & Seasonal Agricultural Workers Program:

- ✓ Season: April through October
- ✓ February: Migrant Farmworkers begin to migrate up the East Coast Migrant Stream
- ✓ July: Begins our Peak season
- ✓ Approximately 1700 – 1900 farmworkers migrant annually to Delaware
- ✓ Case Managers- conduct labor camp census, identify, register and complete a needs assessment on each of the farmworkers then they provide comprehensive supportive services as needed
- ✓ Generally, prior to the peak of the harvesting season, farmworkers who are in need of medical services are often transported into the Health Center
- The Mobile Unit
  - ✓ Three to four evenings a week (5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) Monday, through Thursday beginning in July.
  - ✓ Due to farmworkers work schedules and the number and complexity of medical appointments the MSAW Team has been going out later and remaining long past 9:00 p.m.
- The Process
  - ✓ 1. Obtain Labor Certificate
  - ✓ 2. Submit Form I-129
  - ✓ 3. Apply for Visa
- Service Provided
  - ✓ One of the main produced crops is potatoes
  - ✓ Delaware produces between 4, 000 – 5,000 acres of potatoes annually
  - ✓ Provided services to farmworkers on 9 farms in Kent County, 5 of which grow potatoes
- Service Areas in Sussex
  - ✓ Adam’s County Nursery
  - ✓ Bethel Road
  - ✓ Camp Road
  - ✓ Classic Inn
  - ✓ Country Hearth Inn
  - ✓ Elizabeth Cornish Landing
  - ✓ Greenwood Inn
  - ✓ Lakeside Inn
  - ✓ Laurel Auction Block
  - ✓ Relax Inn
  - ✓ Seaford
  - ✓ Sunrise Motel
  - ✓ Travelers Inn
  - ✓ T.S. Smith & Sons
  - ✓ Vincent Farms
- For the 2017 MSAW Program Year we have five areas of focus: we will be providing training to all Medical Receptionist throughout the organization in the area of Farmworker Eligibility and Verification and in conjunction with the Ag 2020 Campaign for the purpose of increasing access to both the migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their families; In 2017 we will continue to focus on the following Clinical Measures -

Rapid HIV Testing, PAPs, TB Assessments, PHQ2 and Oral Health; we will be working to develop a methodology to accurately collect and aggregate data with reference to our farmworkers; we will continue to work on the development and training of our outreach staff with the goal of expanding our mobile services.

### **Old Business/New Business:**

#### **Speaker line up:**

- ✓ **March- Erin Willis- Sun Behavior & Tina Farmer – Delaware CAN has been extended service offer to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**
- ✓ **Kim Blanch – April 2019**
- ✓ **Patricia Heineman/U of D CDS for Disabilities studies- April 2019**
- ✓ **People Place**

#### **Partner Updates:**

SCHC is partnering with Attack Addiction and Delaware Hospice to provide grief counseling group sessions for family members that have lost a loved one to addiction.

SCHC is working with CHNA

- Stakeholders focus group on 3/29 – 11:30-1:20 pm at the SCHC Office

SCHC will be starting a Youth Council

- Looking for a Chair/Co-Chair

#### **Bayhealth**

- New hospital opened 2/5/29
- Milford site is closed.
- Nemours will be building on the Bayhealth Sussex Campus, will open November 2020 for specialty care for kids,

#### **Westside Family Healthcare**

- 2/28/19 from 1 – 3 pm at the Nanticoke Miller Building (121 South Front Street, Seaford, DE 19973)
- New parents and/or caregivers, lunch provided

#### **Delaware Hospice**

- Sussex CARES Conference will be in May at Crossroads Community Church.
- No registration fee, lunch included

#### **Beebe Healthcare**

- 3/19 at Lewes Yacht Club
- No registration fee
- Awareness and education

#### **AmeriHealth Caritas**

- Will be starting a statewide advisory council, looking for Sussex County representation
- Opening new site in Bear, DE on 3/29/19

#### **Nanticoke Health Services**

- Nanticoke Health Fair is on 3/16/2019 at Laurel Middle High School from 9 am – 1 pm

- Special outreach to the Spanish-speaking population
- There will be 10-12 free screenings, including the Westside Migrant Health Mobile Unit

#### **Seaford Health Unit**

- Providing free HUV testing - next date is 4/11/19, 5 am – 12 pm
- National HIV Testing Day – 6/27/219, 5 am – 12 pm

#### **Family SHADE**

- Pilot for care coordination for child with special healthcare needs and providers
- Looking for 35-40 families
- Will send out marketing materials when they get them

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:05 am**

**Mark your Calendar:**

**Next Health Committee Meeting – March 27, 2019**