



**Health Committee Meeting Minutes - ARCHIVE**  
**February 28, 2018**  
**8:30 am to 10:00 am**  
**Easter Seals Office, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**22317 DuPont Blvd., Georgetown, DE**

*The Mission of the Health Committee is to positively impact and promote healthy outcomes for children and families through collaboration with key health community partners, that empower families to live healthy lifestyles.*

**Meeting Mingle:** As attendees arrived they were asked to sit next to a person that they did not know or haven't worked with. Each group of two will spend a couple of minutes exchanging contact information and organization details. After January minutes were approved, Carrie asked to the group to introduce their partner for this exercise.

**Meeting Called to order by Carrie Snyder**

Richard Holaday asked the committee to review the proposed minutes. Minor change provided by Tiffany Edwards. Motion to approve the minutes made by Tiffany Edwards, seconded by: Catherine Murphy. Minutes were approved with minor changes.

**Attendees:** Carrie Snyder, Bhavana Viswanathan, Bobbie Fisher, Catherine Murphy, Christine Wands, Deb Campbell, Denicia Youmens, Tiffany Edwards, Ericka E.M. Sample, Crystal Fensick, Sharon Harrington, Danniell Hicks, Jere Hutson, Juanita Mireles, Kim Blanch, Lindsay McClanathan, Loucella Sample, Lorina Sellers, Mary Johnson, Nancy Mears, Midline Estimable, Marcey Rezac, Wendy Poke, Polly Pusey, Patricia Clear, Pamala White, Quiana Dorn, Richard Holaday, Ramona Pickett, Lisa M. Schirtzinger, Yomarie Colon, Lisa Coldiron, Nancy Burris

**Action Items:**

- Catherine Murphy to share the SUN Presentation to SCHC for distribution. Done
- Contact Wendy Bailey for an updated meeting schedule and follow up with Wendy on the sign up sheet that was created when she presented to this group in December, 2017. On Going.
- Pamala White will send information on Hep C treatment for vulnerable population testing positive. Done
- Jere Hutson will send information on CORE Mobile Van. Done

**Guest Speaker: Catherine Murphy, Kim Blanch (new Communities Services Manager)**

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Catherine shared the recent presentation by SUN Behavioral Health with the group which was recently shared with Healthy Sussex Task Force. See attached full presentation.

- Take the focus from the hospitals, be medically cleared then go to the center.
- Free Standing separate space but do have locations on hospital sites in other states.
- 90 beds, Owens Campus, behind La Red, proposed open date, October 2018.
- No other facility downstate to provide services. Other inpatient facilities are in Wilmington.
- Offer care for children, adolescents, adults, seniors.
- Flexibility of beds to accommodate community needs. Community dining or segregated dining by need.

- Outpatient facilities may be added at a later day, focus specific to the areas that have the highest outpatient population. Meeting the community where they are.

Q: will they be addressing eating disorders. Catherine Murphy was not sure, but they should as behavioral health provider.

Catherine stated SUN was open to hearing what services our community needs. SUN will be presenting to the BHTG committee at an upcoming meeting.

Catherine then presented a brief update on the 2015 Health Needs Assessment, reported out in 2016. The focus is shifting to working with PCP office staff to work with patients with high BMI index and obesity. Goal is to work with PCP office staff to help the patient while in their office with referrals and resources. Working to remove the stigma of being overweight; have open discussions with patient, offer support and referrals. High BMI refer to a nutritionist for help. The ICD-10 codes need to be updated as well. PCP is currently not able to refer to another specialist, i.e., nutritionist unless there is another medical condition present, not just a high BMI index

Time for another health needs assessment. We don't want to start from scratch, build on the foundation that already exists. Committee members will have to opportunity to provide input on the survey questions. Send your feedback to Catherine, Kim or Carrie.

Chronic disease lay training discussed. This lead to a lengthy discussion with committee members. Most attendees wanted to get more information about the lay leader classes. Mary Johnson and Patricia Clear are currently trained in these classes. Wendy Bailey is a good resource to find out about upcoming training classes. Once a person takes the full training, then they can be trained with the diabetes courses.

When it comes to being successful, most of the time benefits comes from support groups to health each other. First State Community Action program, open to everyone. Physicians offices need to be informed on how to work with specific groups of chronic disease patients. Much more is taking place at the PCP appointment, PCP can refer the patient to another resource for more support, details. Wendy Bailey reviewed the classes at previous meeting, can provide a list of trainers as well. Reach out to Wendy Bailey if interested.

Kim Blanch had questions about HMA, asked her to reach out to Cheryl/Peggy for update. Joshua Cole, HMA will present next month to this group.

### **Partner Updates:**

Southern Sussex County:

Millville, new cancer center being built, ER facility, will expand the outreach cancer screening

Richard Holaday, hired new nurse practitioner, special reproductive health. Will be fully staffed M-F.

Ramona has a concern, half of the folks she is testing are HEP C positive, where does she refer patients for treatment? Committee said patients need to see a Gastronomist, fast track. Pamala White, has a referral, she will share with SCHC and Ramona. Jere Hutson shared about the CORE, Mobile van.

La Red, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am community baby shower, Seaford Library, pre-register mom.

March 17<sup>th</sup> Health Fair, Latino vendors will be there translators will be there as well, please provide handouts or be a vendor. ELO teachers will be there as well. La Red will be there.

Nancy Mears, systems for healthy communities, del Tech terry campus, starts tomorrow. SCHC will have a team participate. 5-month process.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Next Health Committee Meeting: March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – 8:30am Easter Seals, Georgetown