Agenda Item #2

Public Health
Delta & Menominee Counties

Board of Health
AGENDA

February 19, 2014
3:00p.m. (CST), 4:00p.m. (EST)
Pinecrest Medical Care Facility
Powers, MI

Board Members:

Bob Burie	Jan Hafeman	Larry Schei
Tom Elegeert	Mary Harrington	Tom Trudgeon

Public Health Staff:

Mike Snyder, Health Officer/Administrator
Kim Gustafson, Executive Secretary
Dr. Terry Frankovich, Medical Director
Lynn Woelffer, Director of Finance
Erin Viau, Prevention Specialist

1) **Call to Order/Roll Call**
2) **Approval of Agenda**
3) **Approval of January 15, 2014 Board of Health Meeting Minutes**
4) **Educational Session: All-Stars – Erin Viau**
5) **Tri-County United Way Agency Policy Manual**
6) **Finance Committee**
7) **Review and Approval of January Check Register**
8) **Medical Director's Report**
9) **Health Officer's Report**
10) **Public Comment**
11) **Board Member Comments**
12) **Adjournment**

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Board of Health Meeting

Pinecrest Medical Care Facility
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Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 19, 2014

Board Members Present

Bob Burie	Jan Hafeman	Larry Schei
Tom Elegeert	Mary Harrington	Tom Trudgeon

Public Health Staff

Mike Snyder, Health Officer/ Administrator
Dr. Terry Frankovich, Medical Director
Kim Gustafson, Executive Secretary
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1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The regular monthly meeting of the Delta-Menominee District Board of Health was held on February 19, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. CST by Chairman Trudgeon. Roll call was taken by the Executive Secretary and is recorded above.

2. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Harrington moved to approve the agenda. Motion was supported by Mr. Burie and carried.

3 Approval of Minutes

Ms. Hafeman moved that the minutes from January 15, 2014, be approved. Motion was supported by Mr. Elegeert and carried.

4. Educational Session: All-Stars – Erin Viau

PHDM has been providing the All-Stars program at local schools for 10 years. Menominee County schools that participate are Stephenson and Carney. Delta County has Rapid River, Gladstone, and Mid-Peninsula schools. The character based program is designed to prevent adolescents from doing drugs and alcohol.

- 20 years of research went into this program.
- There are several different versions. PHDM's is meant for the "transition" or "at-risk" years; 6th or 7th grades, but they only do the 6th graders.
- There are six strategies they teach the children:
  - Idealism and a belief in the future
  - Commitment to a positive lifestyle
  - Wholesome standards
  - Resiliency
  - A sense of belonging
  - Positive relations with parent and other adults
- The program is about 14 sessions long for approximately an hour at a time. The sessions include:
  - How technology has changed in the last 200 years.
  - How to make adjustments.
  - How to look for an ideal future; they try to get the kids to choose what they'd like for their future.
  - The kids pick the top four characteristics they would like to have and the four they don't want to have. The kids make an art project with the characteristics they chose.
  - There are four homework assignments that have parent components.
  - They teach the kids about how doing things will give you a reputation that will follow you for life. This gives kids their "light bulb" moments.
- At the end of the session, they make nine commitments for their future. They have a discussion about the commitments. After they make their commitments, they are given a commitment ring made of sterling silver from United Way. Ms. Viau has seen individuals still wearing the rings even several years after they have graduated high school.
- At the conclusion, they have a celebration where their commitment video is shown to the family and friends that comes to the celebration.

PHDM staff have just been trained for the 4th and 5th grade program. They did a pilot program at Carney and are hoping to incorporate that in the other schools next year. Ms. Viau stated there are quite a few kids that have joined the Healthy Youth Coalition in Menominee because of the All-Stars program.

Funding for the All-Stars program comes from Pathways/Northcare Network/ Michigan Department of Community Health, Local County Liquor Tax, and the Tri-City Area United Way.

5. Tri-County United Way Agency Policy Manual

Menominee, Marinette and Oconto counties are covered by the Tri-County United Way. Every agency that received money needs to sign the policy manual.

Mr. Elegeert moved that the Tri-County United Way Policy Manual be approved for signing. Motion was supported by Ms. Hafeman and carried.

6. Finance Committee

Ms. Hafeman briefed the board on the finance meeting that was held at the Escanaba office on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 regarding the first quarter FY14 financial reports. Questions were answered by Ms. Woelffer and Mr. Snyder. After further discussion, the board requested the status of Cost-based Reimbursement be placed on the agenda next month for follow-up.

Mr. Burie moved that the Finance report be approved. Motion was supported by Mr. Elegeert and carried.

7. Review and Approval of January Check Register

Ms. Hafeman moved to approve the January check register. Motion was supported by Ms. Harrington and carried.

8. Medical Director's Report

Dr. Frankovich presented some of the findings from a recent Centers for Disease Control (CDC) report on health disparities and inequalities in the U.S. According to the CDC, health disparities are "avoidable, unfair differences in health status seen within and between populations." The World Health Organization (WHO) states that the social determinants of health i.e. the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age-are mostly responsible for health inequities.

- Drug-induced death rates highest among American Indians/Alaskan Natives and whites
- Homicide rates for men were 263% higher than for women and 665% higher for black males than white males. Homicide rates for American Indians and Hispanics were also far greater than for white Americans.
- Suicide rates were higher for whites and American Indians/Alaskan Natives than blacks or Hispanics

- Preventable hospitalization rates were higher for residents of low-income neighborhoods than higher income neighborhoods and higher among blacks and Hispanics than whites.
- Teen pregnancy rates decreased by 18% 2007-2010 but rates among black teens and Hispanic teens remain double that of whites and Asian populations in the US
- Little progress has been made in decreasing smoking rates among persons with low SES

The report makes it clear that disparities are real and persistent. Poverty is one of the most significant predictors of health status. Although lack of insurance coverage is certainly an important factor in health disparities, increasing coverage will not alone solve the problem. As the CDC notes, reducing disparities will require working 'within and across fields that impact health such as transportation, housing, education and business.' Meanwhile, increasing income inequality is likely to lead to an ever-growing disparity in health status within the US.
The full report may be found at: http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/other/su6203.pdf

9. Health Officer's Report

- Mr. Snyder reported a check was received from the Community Foundation for Delta County Dr. Mary Cretens' Estate. PHDM targets the use of the money for maternal and infant programs. Mr. Snyder will be writing a thank you letter. Mr. Schei requested Mr. Snyder report on the ideas of spending the money at the next board meeting.
- PHDM received preliminary testing on the meth house in Rock that had been condemned until proper cleaning. Preliminary test results showed elevated levels of methamphetamine throughout the entire house. The estimated cleaning cost is over $11,500. The home owner continues to provide Mr. Snyder updates on the situation.

10. Public Comment—None

11. Board Member Comments

12. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. CST.

Thomas L. Pelgen 3-19-2014
Chairperson

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