



## SCOTLAND COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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### BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES Tuesday, December 15, 2020 6:30 P.M.

The Scotland County Board of Health met on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Emergency Operations Building. The following Board of Health members were in attendance: Diann Beane, Nicole Monroe, RN, BSN, Charles Todd, RPh, Dave Raley, P.E., (Virtual), Dr. J. Earl Bowling, and Dr. Ralph Carter. Absent from the meeting were the following members: Dr. M.M. Labib, William Matthews and Beth Hobbs. Staff members in attendance: Kevin Patterson, Sharon Alford, Dawntashia Harris, Kathie Cox (Virtual), and Donna Page.

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. Prayer was led by Commissioner Darrel Gibson.

#### **Discussion**

There was no discussion about the current revised agenda.

#### **Adoption of Agenda**

On a motion by Nicole Monroe and a second by Dave Raley the revised agenda was adopted.

#### **Approval of October 20, 2020 Minutes**

Dr. Charles E. Todd, RPh mentioned that there was an error in the minutes on pg. 2 regarding a statement that was made by him. He stated that Dave Raley made the comment instead of him. Sharon Alford acknowledged the error and will make the necessary changes. On a motion by Dr. Ralph Carter and a second by Commissioner Darrel Gibson, the minutes were approved.

#### **Public Comment**

Jessica Leins, OTP, presented a fifteen (15) minute presentation about the current planning and preparation of the COVID-19 vaccine. (Please refer to the printed Powerpoint slides used for the presentation). Dr. Carter asked when the Health Department or Scotland County was going to receive the vaccine and Kevin Patterson responded that Scotland County Health Department and Scotland County Healthcare system are in week two of the Moderna distribution. He further added that the health department is scheduled to receive 400 doses of the Moderna vaccine and Scotland County Healthcare systems is scheduled to receive 500 doses. Jessica Leins further added that the next week would be considered as week one.

#### **Administrative Reports**

##### **A. Financial Update Reports as of November 30, 2020**

###### **1. Expense Report**

Dawntashia Harris presented the operating budget report, which is currently under 8% of the projected amount of 42%.

###### **2. Revenue Collections Report**

Dawntashia Harris presented the revenue collections report, which is currently under 9% of the projected amount of 42%. She did mention that some clinics (TB, STD, Immunizations) are productively low because they are only screening and not testing.

3. Clinical and Environmental Health Summary Report

Dawntashia Harris presented a comparison chart of the current and previous two fiscal years and stated that some clinics (STD, Family Planning, Adult Health) are exceeding and others are falling behind due to people fearful of coming out due to the current pandemic.

**Monthly Activities Summary**

The Activities Summary was included in the BOH packet. Kevin Patterson, Interim Health Director gave a brief overview of the report.

**Clinical Report**

During the clinical report, Donna Page mentioned that currently they are down two nurses and currently struggling with clinic management and COVID at once. She also mentioned that the Health Department has contracted with two case managers and contact investigators with CCNC. Kevin mentioned that additional assistance with any clerical duties could be requested from the state. Donna mentioned more clerical or entry level assistance will be needed for the mass vaccination clinic.

- Clerissa Butler, PHN completed Principles and Practices of Public Health Nursing
- Carlotta Rivers, Ashley Locklear and Felicia McCall attended the virtual Graviditas at Risk Conference
- SCHD began hosting Richmond Community College Nursing Students again
- Paige McInnis, PHN accepted the position of Lead CD Nurse
- Michaela Hunt, PHN who was the Child Health Nurse has transferred to a different PHN I role vacated by Paige McInnis
- We are currently recruiting for the Child Health Nurse position and the PHN I/EIC Lead position

**Social Work Report**

- All care managers completed the Step by Step Guidance for both programs
- All care managers participated in the Child Fatality Virtual Meeting
- All care managers completed the CMARC webinar
- Michirena and Betsey participated in PPAT
- Michirena Lowery completed the Triple P Training and now is a certified Triple P Provider. She has her Level 3 Certification.
- Betsey and Felicia attended the first ever Virtual Graviditas at Risk Training
- Betsey completed Peer 5 CMHRP Supervisory Virtual Meeting

**Management Support Report**

- NAACP Collaboration Event with Scotland High School – Back to School Supplies & COVID Testing with Goshen Medical. (Venissa Locklear & Gwendolyn Clark)
- NCLPHMSSA Annual Virtual Conference (Deborah Rogers)
- Child Fatality Virtual Training: Oh Baby! Everything you need to know about infant deaths confirmation. (Gwendolyn Clark)
- H.E.A.R.T. Fundraiser Event (All MS Staff)
- United Language Group: Enhancing Health Equity through Policies & Practices (Deborah Rogers)

**WIC (Women, Infants, Children)**

- WIC participated in the NAACP Book bag event and provided over 50 book bags to mothers and children that were filled with information about WIC and COVID-19.
- We held our 4th annual “Fall in Love with Breastfeeding” event in partnership with ICO4MCH and provided information and giveaways to over 30 breastfeeding women. We also signed-up an additional 19 women to the WIC program.
- Kristen Matthews, Nutritionist I resigned on 11-23-2020.
- Conducted interviews for the vacant Nutritionist I position.
- Detrice Rogers finished her Level 3 Triple P training and is now able to provide that service to our clients.

## Health Education/Promotion Report

### Health Education / Promotion October Report

Outreach: 22 Participants: 250+ (does not incl. newspaper readers, radio listeners or social media likes)

**Outreach:** Responded to 16 community contacts/requests by providing resources, educational materials, data, information, or incentive items, etc. (WEWO, WLNC Radio, Healthcare System, Partners in Ministry, First Health, Parks and Recreation (Wagram), NAACP Event and others)

**Media/Social Media:** COVID data, breast cancer screening/awareness, bullying, Flu Prevention, MCV Clinics, Halloween Safety Guidelines, NHEW, SIDS, etc. Provided Health Education programs on WLNC and WEWO Radio focusing on COVID updates, SIDS, NHEW, Breast Cancer Awareness, Preparedness Month (Halloween Safety Guidelines/CDC); Press Release on the MCV Clinic(s) and National Health Education Week "What do Health Educators Do?"; Contacted by ABC Channel 13 News for COVID updates for Scotland County

**Trainings:** Participated on several webinars, BBP Training, Title X Child Abuse and Neglect, Mental Health in the Workplace

**Other:** Attended BOH meeting with updates, participated in collaborative meeting with SHCS to promote their campaign "Love Your Neighbor" (Mask UP and Stand Back); planning with First Health to begin next MDPP Prevent T2 program in Scotland County;

## ICO4MCH Report

### Health Education / ICO4MCH Program October Report

**Outreach:** 0 (Restrictions applied by DHHS)

**Participants:** Approximately 400 or more individuals reached via ICO4MCH Facebook page

**Program Specific:**

- Community Health Worker hired in Scotland county and virtual work began.
- Scouting Community Health Workers continues.
- Mothers and Babies consultation held to implement in Scotland, Richmond, Hoke and Montgomery counties.
- Reproductive life planning surveys continued in all four health departments.
- Staff continues to work with Triple P America to recruit and train.
- Presented ICO4MCH work in Montgomery county Teen Pregnancy Task force meeting.
- Preconception & Interconnection meeting held.
- Community Action Team meeting held.
- Attended NCPHA annual conference, ICO4MCH team members participated as presenters.

**Media:**

- ICO4MCH Facebook regularly engages in breastfeeding and reproductive life planning education pieces.

### Health Education / Promotion November Report

Outreach: 23 Participants: 150+ (does not incl. newspaper readers, radio listeners or social media likes)

**Outreach:** Responded to 17 community contacts/requests by providing resources, educational materials or incentive items, etc. (WEWO, WLNC Radio, Healthcare System, LBG Exchange, Medical Village Pharmacy, City of LBG, etc.)

**Media/Social Media:** COVID-19 data/updates, Flu Vaccine misconceptions, Flu Vaccine and Diabetes, GASO/QuitlineNC, Diabetes Month, - reaching over 1,200 people per post for COVID updates

**Trainings:** completed several courses on NeoGov; CHIP workshop with State staff; Statewide Healthy Communities planning call; HD and DSS Safety Meeting

**Others:** Focus for November on GASO, Diabetes and COVID-19 and collaboration with the Healthcare System on NEW campaign "Love Your Neighbor: Mask Up and Stand Back"

### Health Education / ICO4MCH Program November Report

**Outreach:** 0 (Restrictions applied by DHHS)

**Participants:** Approximately 400 or more individuals reached via ICO4MCH Facebook page

**Program Specific:**

- Community Health Worker hired in Scotland county and virtual work continues with support and connecting mothers to resources.
- Scouting Community Health Workers continues.
- Triple P America Training provided in Scotland, Richmond, Hoke and Montgomery counties.
- Reproductive life planning surveys continued in all four health departments.
- Breastfeeding Strategy meetings held in Scotland, Richmond, and Montgomery counties.
- Triple P primary care accreditation complete.

**Media:**

- ICO4MCH Facebook regularly engages in breastfeeding and reproductive life planning education pieces.

**IMR/PHP&R Report**

**Health Education / IMR, PHP&R Program October Report**

NAACP/COVID Testing
Coordinated Health Education- Pumpkin Decorating Contest
Halloween Outreach at Wagram Recreation Center 10/28 (Collaboration included resources from WIC, Social Work and Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention and Public Health Preparedness and Response).
Radio Programs: WEWO and WLNC
Newspaper/Social Media: Provided Halloween Safety Guidance, COVID19 Guidance, Health Education and Awareness resources Provided education to local childcare centers

Mass Casualty Incident Webinar
Curriculum Training: Reducing The Risk
Covid Unmasked
Reproductive Health Issues Women Face
Curriculum Training: Making Proud Choices
Reproductive Life Planning Update
Webinar: How to create online course

Monthly program observances (ongoing)	Halloween safety, COVID19, Pregnancy and Infant Loss/SIDS awareness, teen pregnancy prevention/Let's Talk month, Health Education Week
Meeting with EOC	Tour facility, establish responsibility for state deliverables. Orientation to emergency alert system.
4th Annual WIC Breastfeeding Event	Distribute education, support resources and provided lactation counseling as needed (Drive By Event)
PAIL Advocacy Day	Provide education/advocacy resources about pregnancy and infant loss
Community COVID Meeting	Discussion of next 90 days and mask wearing campaign in collaboration with Scotland Memorial
Work Group	Reclaiming the Post Partum
Accreditation	Reviewing materials- moving to ongoing quality improvement
Bully Prevention Day	Increase awareness, education and resources supporting inclusion
Red Ribbon Week	Increase awareness, education on drug use and correlation to well being

**Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business.

**New Business**

- a. Swearing in of reappointed board members: Dr. J. Earl Bowling, Charles E. Todd, RPh, Diann Beane, and Dave Raley, P.E. - Dr. J.. Earl Bowling, Charles E. Todd, RPh, and Diann Beane were reappointed to serve an additional term.  
 Dave Raley, P. E. requested to reschedule his reappointment to another date and time.
- b. FY 18 - Medicaid Cost Settlement Adjustment - \$43,977.00
- c. New Funding – Immunization - \$11,639 (Influenza Activities)
  - i. On a motion by Dave Raley, P. E. and a second by Nicole Monroe RN, BSN, the above funding (b & c) was approved.
- d. Approval of 2021 Schedule - On a motion by Dr. Ralph Carter and a second by Charles E. Todd, RPh, the 2021 schedule was approved.

**Informal Discussion**

Commissioner Gibson asked what was the Health Department's COVID-19 testing policy? He further stated that most uninsured residents living in Scotland County are referred to Goshen or local churches to get tested. Donna replied that the current standing order is to provide testing to uninsured patients that are showing symptoms or was exposed. He also asked if there were a lot of people tested and Donna replied no. She further stated that RHCC, which is a FQHC, receives money to offer testing as well. She referenced the "Find My Testing" website, which offers assistance with COVID-19 testing locations and pop-up clinics. Commissioner Gibson then asked about the hospital's COVID-19 testing policy. Donna replied that she wasn't sure because the doctor would have to provide that standing order. She mentioned that she would like to partner with a local business such as Rainbow 66 to utilize their building in order to provide weekly COVID-19 testing. There was also the possibility of utilizing school locations. Commissioner Gibson stated that outside people are constantly wanting to get tested and he wanted to know how to respond if questions arose about testing at the Health Department. Donna stated that the Health Department only tests county employees and others who meet the criteria. Nicole asked if churches can partner with other outside agencies or do they need the Health Department and Donna's response was "no". Dr. Carter asked what type of tests are used and Donna responded that Goshen uses the antigen. Nicole asked if there were any county agencies utilizing the rapid testing, and Donna responded, "yes at the hospital, but only when there's an inundation. Donna also mentioned that the Health Department is currently running short on supplies to test. This is also evident with testing supplies for the

communicable diseases. Kevin Patterson mentioned that the county commissioners conducted a first reading of an ordinance to allow county departments to administer civil penalties for violations of the Governor's executive order. There is a second reading scheduled for January's commissioner meeting. He also stated that the county attorney is collaborating with the chairman about drafting language that would be inputted into the current state of emergency. If inputted into the state of emergency, it would only apply to unincorporated areas. Dr. Carter added a statement regarding testing and stated that the hospital offers mobile screening targeted towards uninsured areas, North Laurinburg, Pembroke and Bennettsville. They have provided testing at Bright Hopewell, the Solicitor's office in Bennettsville, Stewartville Baptist Church, Berea Baptist in Pembroke, and also in Wagram and Maxton. None of these sites require doctor's orders. Onsite testing at the hospital requires a doctor's order.

The October 20, 2020 Board of Health meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm and on a motion by Diann Bean and a second by Dr. Carter, the meeting went into closed session.