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BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

6:30 P.M.

The Scotland County Board of Health met on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. via Go-to-Meeting. The following Board of Health members were in attendance: Robert Davis, Dr. Ralph Carter, Dr. J. Earl Bowling, Charles E. Todd, RPh, Diann Beane, and Dave Raley. Absent from the meeting were the following Board of Health members: Dr. Ray Chavis, M.M. Labib, Nicole Monroe, William Matthews, and Beth Hobbs. Also in attendance were the following staff members: Kristen Patterson, Sharon Alford, Tim Martin, Donna Page, Kathie Cox, Valentina Oxendine, and Charisse Costin.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Bob Davis and he also led the prayer.

Discussion

Bob Davis recommended to revise the agenda based on additional information regarding previous receipt of funding and labs that were previously sent and approved via email. This information was included in the Board of Health packets. There was a motion made by Dave Raley and a second made by Diann Beane.

Adoption of Agenda

On a motion by Diane Beane and a second by Dave Raley the agenda was adopted.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Administrative Reports

A. Financial Update Reports

1. Expenditures Report

Tim Martin discussed the ten (10) essential functions of Public Health and the funding that goes into these functions per Accreditation standards. Tim went over the previous fiscal year's (19-20) Expenditure report and reported that the health department was 7.7% under budget, which equates to \$276,029.

2. Revenue Collections Report

Tim Martin discussed the Revenue Collections report and reported that currently the health department is under budget 1.6%.

3. Clinical and Environmental Health Summary Report

Next, Tim presented the Clinical and Environmental Health Revenues slide presentation, which shows comparisons from the last three (3) years. Mr. Martin noted that the TB and Maternal Health programs are overperforming. Mr. Davis noticed the increase in Immunizations and Mr. Martin responded that there were a lot of flu shots administered in the current year along with private immunizations. Mr. Raley wanted to know when flu shots would be available in the current year, and Tim Martin responded that Donna Page would have to answer that. Donna Page responded that late August or early September. Lastly, Mr. Martin presented the financial overview for the health department and reported that there was \$40,000 uncollected and \$276,000 that was under budgeted. This left the health department with excess funding of \$235,112. There were no further questions from the Board of Health members.

Monthly Activities Summary

The Activities Summary was included in the BOH packet. Ms. Patterson gave a brief overview of the report.

Health Directors Report

Ms. Patterson presented the Health Directors report as follows with staff updating the Board on their respective departments.

Administrative Report

Mrs. Patterson first presented the Activities Summary for June and July 2020 and noted that there were no reports for Animal Control because the report from the Humane Society. She further discussed how she along with other staff members have provided technical information to various organizations during the COVID-19 pandemic. Mrs. Patterson also explained how she partnered with NCDHHS and other state and local health professionals to discuss methods used for contact tracing and how the minimum COVID-19 cases were sustained in Scotland County. She further explained the updates that she provides to COVID19 updates to WLNC and the Board of Commissioners, which is done monthly. She also has taken part in Scotland County High School's 2020 graduation modification due to COVID19, which was a drive-thru method. She also mentioned how she has aided in the reopening of the schools along with other businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic in Phase 2. She noted the two testing events that the health department aided in. The first testing event was at Nazareth church on July 18 and the second event was at Bethlehem church on July 24th. She also mentioned the challenges of dealing with the retirement of Brian Lowry and Andrew Batten which brought along the problem of not having qualified staff readily available to issue septic tank permits. Ms. Patterson further stated that these issues were addressed by contracting with a Environmental Health Specialist from Hoke County which helped to eliminate those challenges with septic tank permitting.

Clinical Report

- Several members attended a Family Planning webinar in March
- Kristen Patterson, Donna Page and Jessica Chavis met with Al Bishop and RHCC to discuss the continuance of EIC/Ryan White Contract with RHCC. Donna mentioned that once the contract ends with Ryan White talks will begin to switch to another provider.
- Carlotta Rivers attended several Child Health Webinars
- Michaela Hunt, RN, BSN hired into Child Health Nurse position
- Carlotta Rivers provided a Child Fatality report to the County Commissioners
- Celebrated Laboratory week and Nurses week
- 4 nurses attended and completed HIV Counseling and Training via webinar
- Members of the Child Fatality Prevention team participated in "Child Death due to Prematurity" webinar
- Alisa Freeman and Clerissa Butler attended a GSK Vaccine webinar. She mentioned that schools are opening and they are requiring a new vaccine.
- Donna Page, RN, BSN, Alisha Robinson, RN,BSN and Shakelah Locklear, RN, MSN have been working COVID-19 cases since March.

Miscellaneous Updates

- Accreditation with honors.
- Attendance in weekly state COVID-19 conference calls and local weekly EOC calls

Social Work Report

- Betsey Ellerbe participated in Care Management Supervisor's webinar

- Betsey Ellerbe attended PPAT
- Breastfeeding and parenting classes have been cancelled due to COVID-19
- All Social Workers and Carlotta Rivers attended Child Fatality Prevention team webinar
- All social workers have completed multiple continuing education webinars
- Betsey Ellerbe participated in a video conference with Brenda Sedberry, State Consultant, for CMARC follow-up. She found the program to be in compliance with all benchmarks and the program had exceeded expected benchmark for client engagement by 3%
- Betsey attended a Foster Care Children conference call

COVID-19

- Attendance in weekly state COVID-19 conference calls and local weekly EOC calls
- SCHD partnered with two local churches and GOSHEN and free COVID-19 testing was completed in Wagram and Laurinburg
- 210 Scotland County Residents tested, 3 positive
- As of 8/17/20: 6816 Scotland County residents have been tested
- 3844 in the past 30 days
- LTCF Outbreaks
- Scotia
- Scottish Pines
- RHA
- Local Churches with multiple cases
- Northview Harvest Ministries
- Chosen House of Deliverance
- Huckabee Grove
- Peace Holiness
- Scotland Correctional
- 22 confirmed cases among inmates

Management Support Report

- Gwendolyn Clark & Deborah Rogers attended Lunch & Learn HIV Meds/Gilead
- D. Rogers completed Youth Friendly Environment Webinar
- Gwendolyn Clark & Brenda Tyson attended HEART Meeting (HIV)
- Management Support staff completed designated webinar training.
- Lunch N Learn (Gilead) HIV Treatment (Deborah Rogers & Brenda Tyson)
- Senior Management Meeting (Deborah Rogers)
- Management Support Department Meeting (All staff) Updates with Billing
- United Language Group Virtual Meeting (Deborah Rogers)
- Management Support Departmental Meeting – Updates Billing

WIC Report

- We had a new employee, Tandrele Lennon, Nutritionist II, join the WIC team.
- Our BFPC maintained her breastfeeding courses online through UNC Chapel Hill and has 9 participants.
- Due to COVID-19, WIC did not have any community outreach events from March through June.
- Received a donation of diapers, wipes and other miscellaneous infant products from Savannah Simpson for any WIC families in need.

Health Education/Promotion Report

Outreach: 37 Participants: 500+ (does not incl. newspaper readers or radio listeners) (over 1300+ view Facebook Posts since May with focus on COVID-19 and other important topics)

Outreach: Responded to 30 community contacts and/or requests providing educational materials, resources, exhibits, etc. (WLNC and WEWO Radio, LBG Exchange, Churches, Schools, Agencies and Public)

Media/Social Media: Promoted COVID-19 Information/Education; Opioid Awareness/Overdose/Prevention; Mental Health; LGBTQ+; Tobacco/E-cigarette/Vaping Awareness/Prevention and Quitline NC; Teen Pregnancy Prevention, Secondhand Smoke/Quitline NC; Sleep Deprivation; Hepatitis A, B, C's; Smoking and Heart Disease; Public Health Matters! Articles on Stress and Coping through COVID-19; Cancer Risks and COVID-19 and Hepatitis A, B, C's; Summer Safety Topics; Environmental Health/Food Safety and Required Permits; Smoke-free Housing; Hot cars and Kids; Heat-related illness and others reaching over 3,000+ people

Trainings: Include participation on a variety of webinars concerning COVID-19; 3 CLAS (Health Equity) webinars; "NIHCM Opioids; NCCCN Regional Comprehensive Cancer Control Network Program"; NCTP&CB Region 6 Tobacco Collaborative Training – Tobacco and Youth; Blood Borne Pathogens; CLAS/Health Disparities Opioid Crisis Impacting Communities of Color; LEPC Tabletop Exercise; CPST Training for Recertification and others

Other: May's Spring NCPHA Conference was cancelled due to COVID-19; Completed Healthy Communities 4th Qtr Report to State; CHA Approval letter received with 100% accreditation benchmarks met; Work begins on our Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP); COVID-19 Testing Events

Detailed Monthly Activity Numbers and Updates are available upon request.

ICO4MCH Report

Breastfeeding

- Coordinator has been able to provide virtual support to counties throughout the pandemic.
- Breastfeeding Coordinator was able to share the successes of counties and the ability to put pumping spaces in businesses and schools with Arkansas State so that they can implement this as well.

Triple P

- Data collection files have been created including files to track the providers trained in each county.
- Agreements have been signed in each county.

Community Health

- Staff is actively recruiting candidates to become Community Health Workers and developing toolkits for success.

Preconception/ Interconception

- Scheduling Mothers and Babies training has begun. Champions from WIC, CC4C, PCM, Child Health, DSS, Family Planning, Health Education and ICO4MCH have been invited.

Informal Discussion

There was no informal discussion.

The August 18, 2020 Board of Health meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Diann Beann, Board Chair

Date

Kevin Patterson, Interim Health Director

Date