

Polk County Advisory Board of Health Minutes

February 20, 2014 8:35

Members present: Donald Anderson

Members absent: Reylon Meeks, Bobbretta Brewton, Thomas Newton, John Olds

Agenda Items	Summary
<p><u>Approval of Minutes</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes were not approved due to lack of quorum.
<p><u>Tobacco Control</u> <i>By Megan Aucutt</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently working on re-branding and transitioning from the Central Iowa Tobacco-free Partnership (CITP) name to just American Lung Association in Iowa. Smoke-free Multi-Unit Housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We partnered with Jessica Sheets, the CTG contractor from Polk Co. Health and helped Ligutti Towers and Elsie Mason Manor implement a smoke-free policy. That policy went into effect on Jan 1 2014. They are a low income senior housing facility located downtown. So far, it's been successful. Winwood Apartments, a market rate complex in Johnston is working with us to implement a policy sometime this year. Tobacco-free Worksites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth and Shelter Services implemented a tobacco-free worksite policy in December with our help. Our staff presented to employees on cessation. Eyerly Ball implemented a policy and we partnered with Jessica again on this policy. Our staff presented several times to employees on cessation there as well. Affiliates Management updated their policy to include e-cigarettes. I met with the WDM Superintendent about including e-cigarettes in their current tobacco-free policy; they will reach out to us when they are ready to do so. We held a webinar on how to implement tobacco-free worksites in late January and 45 people attended. WIC- We created an informational flyer in English and Spanish specific to WIC clients on not smoking while pregnant or around kids. We partnered with the state WIC for feedback. We are currently working on sharing this flyer and information on Quitline to WIC clinics in our service area. Coalition- Our Polk County coalition is now called Central Iowa Communities in Action (CICiA), and we have a new mission statement and logo. We currently have 14 active members. We meet the first Thursday of every month at noon at the ALA office. You are welcome to join us! Please email me if you would like to be on the mailing list. RFP has not yet been released (it's been delayed for some reason), but as always we usually ask for a letter of support and feedback on items to include in our Action Plan. We appreciate our partnership with the Board of Health.
<p><u>Public Health Director Report (written report + comments)</u> <i>By Rick Kozin</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 15th, 2014 was the 2nd Enrollment Fair. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 29 people participated Will have another one in March. Last day to sign up is March 31st. Working with United to create a "Healthy Community Index" so we can measure how we are doing over a year to create a healthy community. Some numbers go up and some go down (Flu, lead, etc.) but we need to know if we are ahead. Our funding request to Prairie Meadows for an awareness campaign to increase adult immunizations was denied.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a nation the numbers of adults 18-64 being vaccinated is really low. Not just flu vaccination. • CDC-the effectiveness of flu vaccination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adults 65+ - 62% effective • 6months-17 years – 67% effective • 60% of adults 65+ have been vaccinated • 6 months – 17 years 50% have been effective • 1/3 adults 18-64 were vaccinated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 18-64 adults are most vulnerable to H1n1
<p><u>Health Planning and Education Update</u> By Tammy Keiter</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Reina Latino radio-Dr Alarcon during the month of February is talking about environmental health (mold in the home), promoting the Health Insurance Marketplace and enrollment, and air quality & heart health. The EPA created a PSA to educate the public and health care providers about the risks of air pollution to the heart. Small particles of air pollution can trigger heart attacks, strokes, or worsen heart conditions. The new PSA advises people with heart disease to check the daily, color-coded Polk County Air Quality Index Forecast. Air Quality Index forecasts are available on a forecast maps through a free AirNow app on Iphone and Android phones or through a free email service EnviroFlash. We thought it would be a good opportunity to do a joint media release between the department and Air Quality to encourage people to go to the Air Quality webpage to check local indicators. • La Reina Latino Magazine-for this month Ana Coppola will feature an article on Healthy Eating. • Health Educator/Public Information Officer Position- Sarah Boese, our Health Educator/Public Information Officer has left the department for another job within the County. She will be working in the Board of Supervisors office as Board Executive Assistant. The Health Educator position is also the PIO for the department. We are currently reviewing applications. • Spring/Summer Event Planning (Extreme Heat)- Planning is underway in preparation for extreme heat. We’re reviewing information that was collected from our response efforts during last year’s event from members of the PCHD Incident Command Team and community partners. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We’ve done GIS mapping identifying specific tract areas, where there is high percentage of those that are the most vulnerable (young 4/under, 65+, below poverty level) with no A/C. We’ve also mapped DART routes that are along the routes of our identified daytime cooling shelters. With this mapping it will help us determine what area we could target for education efforts or an outreach project. • As with all response efforts, there are always opportunities for improvements, so we are setting up a meeting with PC staff and other county departments to determine strategies and then invite community partners to join in working together to carry out a plan. • Community Resource Fair (HO flyer)- This year they have decided to combine these fairs and host a Spring Community School Resource Fair at the Wells Fargo Arena on Saturday, March 29th 3:00-5:00 p.m. Iowa Energy, Edco Community Credit Union, Ernst & Young, & Sylvan Learning Center is sponsoring the event. The fair will be in conjunction with an Iowa Energy Basketball game that evening and

	<p>Iowa Energy is providing up to 11,000 free tickets for DMPS students, family members, staff, and friends that attend the resource fair earlier that day. The resource fair would like the community to provide resources on summer programming, summer jobs, events, etc. so that families can start planning for summer break. We are planning to provide information on the Health Insurance Market Place enrollment since the deadline is March 31st, Child immunization requirements including T-Dap vaccine and Adult T-Dap, Blood Lead Testing requirements, Bed Bug information, and a “Save the Date” flyer for the Back-to- School Jumpstart event scheduled for Saturday, July 26th @ East High School. We’d like to try and have some type of activity to draw attendees to the table. Any idea on what might work?</p>
<p><u>Communicable Disease</u> <i>By Kari Lebeda Townsend</i> <i>(Presented by Scott Slater)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuberculosis Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two new active TB cases in January 2014. • Three patients were in voluntary isolation; two of which were released during the month. One patient remained in voluntary isolation throughout January 2014. • We have implemented a process to track the new LTBI cases we receive and treatment outcomes. Data for January 2014 includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 50 new LTBI patients. ▪ 9 LTBI patients completed treatment. ▪ 8 LTBI patients did not complete treatment in the window period; and were referred back to their physician for re-evaluation. ▪ 3 LTBI patients never responded to our efforts to contact and engage in treatment. • Common Communicable Diseases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In January, there were 11 new cases of Pertussis compared to 2 cases in January 2013; 8 cases in November 2013; and 15 cases in December 2013. • A total of 291 contacts to the 11 new cases in January 2014 received follow-up regarding prophylaxis and education from a CD nurse. • The majority of Pertussis cases in January 2014 were among 8 to 13 year olds. One 8-year old was hospitalized. One 3-month old infant. • Sexually Transmitted Diseases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In January 2014, there were 243 Chlamydia cases which is a 44.6% increase over the number of Chlamydia in January 2013 (168). • The numbers of Gonorrhea, Syphilis and HIV cases in January 2014 were comparable to the number of cases for the same month last year (i.e., January 2013). (Note: 41, 12, and 1 in 2014 and 46, 11, and 2 in 2013 respectively).
<p><u>Proposed Meeting/Topic Scheduler</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defer until March 21st, 2014 Board of Health meeting.
<p><u>Committee Member Comments</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
<p><u>Public Comments</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
<p><u>Adjournment</u></p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 9:07</p>

Next meeting March 21, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.

Others present:

Rick Kozin, PCHD

Scott Slater, PCHD

Tammy Keiter, PCHD

Mandy Ulmer, PCHD

Amy Karaidos, VNS

Taylor Antolik, DMU MPH Student

Megan Aucutt, ALA

Christine Crow, DMU MPH Student