

BRANCH-HILLSDALE-ST. JOSEPH  
COMMUNITY HEALTH AGENCY  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES OF 8/27/09 MEETING

The Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency Board of Health meeting was called to order at approximately 9:00 a.m. by the Chairperson, Ken Lautzenheiser, with the following members present:

Robin Baker, Mike Dunlap, Rod Olney, Geraldine Spieth and Dave Pueschel

Absent: Dale Swift

Also present: Steve Todd, Donna Cowden, Jennie Sholly, John Robertson, Laura Sutter, Rebecca Burns, Maureen Petzko, Mark Pawlowski, Joe Frasier, Mark Miller and Don Reed.

Mr. Dunlap moved to approve the Agenda as presented with support from Mr. Pueschel. The motion carried.

Mr. Dunlap moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with support from Mr. Baker. The motion carried.

Public Comment – nothing at this time

Communication –

Mark Miller from MDCH presented the Board Chairperson and Health Officer with the agency's Certificate of Accreditation. Mark was very complimentary of our staff. He told the Board members that our agency received one of the highest scores thus far during this 4<sup>th</sup> round of accreditation reviews.

John Robertson gave a presentation to the Board members and guests on Teen Pregnancy. Teen pregnancy is a problem that affects the parents, the baby, other family members as well as many community resources. A teen that becomes pregnant is less likely to finish school or get early and adequate prenatal care. About 82% of pregnancies to teens are unplanned. Other highlights from the presentation were:

Overall birth trends

Results from a survey on Risk Behaviors

Sexually Transmitted Disease (Chlamydia)

Teen Pregnancy and Mental Health

Teen Pregnancy and Other Consequences

Percentage of Teen Mothers who received High School Diploma by age 30

Percentage of Teen moms that go to college

Percent of children to teens that remain in poverty

Annual cost/Local Cost

Solutions

Mark Pawlowski, Planned Parenthood of South Central Michigan, spoke next. Mark presented a Title X Family Planning Annual Report for the Board members. Discussion followed.

Medical Director Comments – Dr. Phillips is on vacation.

Health Officer's Report – Steve Todd, Health Officer, gave his monthly report as follows:

1. Sturgis Hospital Space Agreement

Agreements have been made to lease a portion of our former space in the Sturgis Hospital for use as a public access site for the Title X Family Planning Program conducted by Planned Parenthood. In addition, we will use this space for an enrollment site for the County Health Plan and periodic WIC & Immunization Clinics. The Sturgis Hospital expressed their desire to aid us by providing an access site for the public to obtain our services. I wish to thank Rob LaBarge, Cathie Murray and the IT staff of the Sturgis Hospital for their efforts to make this space available. As it stands now the Family Planning Program will open at the new location on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

2. Dental Clinic

In the past month Congressman Mark Schauer announced that \$400,000 for a dental clinic building in Hillsdale has been included in a Federal 2010 appropriations bill. We will be tracking the progress of this potential funding.

I have met with Dr. Greg Heintschel from MCDC and discussed the changes to the dental clinic operation in Three Rivers as a result of changes in the State's reimbursements for adult Medicaid dental coverage. Staffing has been reduced along with clinic hours.

4602 patients have been seen at the Three Rivers Clinic since it opened in 2008. I have attached a report showing the number of patients by zip codes.

3. Agency News

At the recommendation of the CDC we have started our Seasonal Flu vaccination clinics. This is slightly earlier than in past years. It is hoped that we will complete a majority of our Seasonal Flu clinics before we start our effort to administer the H1N1 vaccine, which is expected in late October. As in past years many citizens receive their seasonal flu vaccine from private providers.

The roof replacement of our Hillsdale & Three Rivers offices has been completed along with the replacement of a portion of sidewalk at the Hillsdale office.

Mr. Dunlap moved to accept and place on file the Health Officer's Report with support by Geraldine Spieth. The motion carried.

Financial Reports – Donna Cowden, Director of Finance, reviewed the monthly financial reports with the members present. Rod Olney moved to approve, accept and place on file the reports with support from Mr. Pueschel. The motion carried.

Area Agency on Aging – Laura Sutter, Coordinator, presented her monthly report to the Board members present. Laura advised the members that our local representatives took action to cut aging services by 24 million from the OSA budget – including Care Management. This proposed cut would eliminate 90% of state funding for programs. A discussion took place regarding a proposed Resolution from our Board to be sent to our representatives.

Prevention Services – Jennie Sholly, Director, reviewed the monthly reports as well as an update with the Board members present.

Community Health Promotion – John Robertson, Director, reviewed the monthly service statistics report with the members present. John discussed with the members recent information regarding the HINI flu information.

Environmental Health – Rebecca Burns, Director, reviewed the monthly statistical reports and Food Service reports with the members present. Rebecca updated the members on the following: hotel and motel food laws, body art and food service classes for managers.

Committee Reports:

Program, Policy and Appeals – nothing

Finance – The expenditures (\$248,449.37) submitted for payment were reviewed and it was moved by Mr. Dunlap to approve with support from Mr. Baker. The motion carried.

Old Business –

Mr. Lautzenhieser mentioned again the problem with Child Obesity in our Nation.

New Business –

At this time Mr. Dunlap moved to go into closed session to review the evaluation of the Health Officer support by Mr. Olney. Roll Call Vote was taken. All members voted yes – the motion carried.

It was then moved to go back into open session by Mr. Baker supported by Mr. Pueschel. The motion carried.

With no other business to report, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Secretary to the Board