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Northern Nevada Dental Coalition for Underserved Populations (CUSP)

Meeting Minutes for Friday, June 19, 2015

In Attendance: Syd McKenzie, CUSP Chair/Oral Health NV; Adriana Perry, Oral Health NV; Lynn Bethel, Oral Health NV; Leah Sallas, Community Health Alliance; Chris Garvey, AC4OH Chair/Oral Health NV; Julie Stage-Rosenberg, TMCC; Kathy Secrist, Compassion Community Clinic; Wendy Madson, Healthy Communities Coalition; Deb Aquino, State of NV Oral Health Program; Andrew Rico (on phone), NV Division of Health Care Financing & Policy

The meeting was held at the Community Health Alliance Administration Office and Syd McKenzie, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:36 am

Ms. McKenzie welcomed Andrew Rico to the CUSP meeting.

The following organizational members provided updates and information:

1. Julie Stage-Rosenberg- Truckee Meadows Community College

- 11 dental hygiene students graduated in May and there will be 12 incoming students in the fall
- 12 students and 3-4 faculty members will be attending the upcoming RAM event in the October 2015
- TMCC has signed a memorandum of understanding with UNR Early Head Start Program to provide fluoride varnish with no end date.

2. Kathy Secrist- Compassion Community Clinic

- Recently received a grant of \$11,000 and will be purchasing IT equipment
- Currently training volunteers to work in the clinic
- Current wait times at the clinic are 3-5 months for severe dental pain and 6-15 months for moderate dental pain
- The CCC is sponsoring the July 23rd Aces Game as a fundraiser, tickets are \$12

3. Wendy Madson- Healthy Communities Coalition

- The Coalition is gearing up for the RAM Clinics in October 2015 and the Coalition will be covering the malpractice insurance for retired dentists that have current licenses who volunteer.
- Wendy recently attended a OSHA training in preparation for the RAM event.
- Please promote the event among your colleagues – volunteer providers are needed.

4. Deb Aquino- State of NV Oral Health Program

- The State of Nevada is considering a push for dentures among Medicaid recipients
- There is a concerted effort to provide outreach to those residents with disabilities living in Elko.
- Lynn suggested that the state partner with the agency/organization that funds Meals on Wheels and include oral health information on the menu-backs for the seniors who are homebound.
- Ms. Aquino recently attended a DentaQuest conference with a few other NV oral health leaders and will be attending a second conference in the fall

5. Leah Sallas- Community Health Alliance

- The Mobile Restorative Program provided dental care for 894 children from March-May 2015.
- Head Start is applying fluoride varnish and a dental screening twice-a-year in Washoe and Lyon Counties.
- Northern Nevada Dental Health Program (NNDHP)- Healthy Smile, Healthy Child is working to sign-up dentists as Medicaid providers. These dentists will only work with the Healthy Smile, Healthy Child Program and will not be listed as Medicaid providers to the general Medicaid population.
- Adopt a Vet Program (AAVD) : Between March-May 2015, the Program completed care on 22 veterans, provided emergency care for 11 veterans ,and 69 veterans are currently in progress.

6. Lynn Bethel-Oral Health Nevada

- Oral Health Roundup at the Reno Rodeo is scheduled for June 20th from 12:00pm to 3:00pm. The Roundup is supported by a grant from the American Dental Association Foundation.
- Oral Health Nevada will be presenting at the Nevada Disabilities Conference in July and the Nevada Public Health Association annual meeting in September.
- Lynn suggested that CUSP consider collaborating with the Association/Coalition that supports residents living with diabetes and that local podiatrist may be a good source for providing oral health information.

7. Pam Straley- (Lynn provided the update for Ms. Straley)

- On April 16th the first fluoride varnish (FV) event was held at the Incline Elementary School. More than 90 children received oral health education and 35

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received FV. In addition, 12 children required a referral for dental care. The event will be repeated in October 2015 and in April and October 2016, before a project evaluation takes place.

- The Incline Dental Screening event was held on April 25th; due to a snow storm only 7 children were screened, received fluoride varnish, and oral health education.
- A third dental event was held at Kings Beach on May 2nd where 36 children were screened, received fluoride varnish and oral health education.

8. Chris Garvey- AC4OH, Chair/Oral Health Nevada, Chair

- Legislative Update: The final state budget included funding for the state dental director and public health dental hygienist positions for the 2nd year of the fiscal cycle. The next task is solidifying the two positions for future years.
- The AC4OH is collecting data on oral health need, access time lines and waiting lists wait times from all participating CUSP organizations to use to support future legislation.
- Chris reminded everyone that because Oral Health Nevada is a 501(c)3 charitable organization it is not only eligible to apply for and receive grant funding, but could also serve as a fiscal agent for CUSP or other organizations apply for and receiving grant funding.
- Chris is working on the annual report/recommendation from the AC4OH. The original nine recommendations may be combined together or may remain separate. The report will be completed in July.
- Chris asked for input from the CUSP members on Oral Health Nevada becoming the statewide oral health coalition and serving as a link between the two coalitions (CUSP and CCOH).

The next CUSP meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 11, 2015 at 8:30am.

Ms. McKenzie adjourned the meeting at 10:46am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adriana Perry, Secretary