

CUSP- Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2014, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm

Community Health Alliance Admin Office

In Attendance:

Mark Rosenberg, Job Corp & Community Health Alliance (CHA); Syd McKenzie, OHN/Non-Member Appointed AC4OH Lead; Chris Garvey, AC4OH Chair; Lori Benvin, Northern Nevada Dental Society; Shelley Gall, Aging & Disability Services Division-Senior RX Program; Pam Straley-Incline Village; Laura Chavez-CHW from JTNN; Gary Aldex, Community Health Alliance; Joshua Etcheoyhen, DHCFP-Medicaid; Shannon Sprout-DHCFP-Medicaid; Barbara Heywood-Office of Primary Care; Christine Openshaw, OHN; Melanie Flores, OHP/CHW Program for CDPHP.

1) Dr. Rosenberg - Chair

- Gave brief history and overview of organization, it's goals and mission to match people in need with providers. Information sharing to increase access to care for oral health issues.

2) Gary Aldax - Community Health Alliance (CHA)

- Have rewrapped all of their vans with the new CHA Logo.
- Have a mobile "restorative" program for children that visits school and community sites.
- Their mobile dental sealant van which targets second-graders has a goal to administer services within twenty schools in the Reno-Sparks area.
- Their surgical dental program has run into some issues with anesthesia coverage.
- Partnering with NNDS to be the Administrative/Coordinating end for charitable care done by providers in providers offices.
- They have taken over the "Adopt-a-Vet" Dental Program, with Linda Haag remaining as Founder and chief fund-raiser and communicator for the program. Services are being administered in provider offices in Reno, Carson, Sparks, Fallon, Fernley and Gardnerville.
- Adopt-a-Vet program served 88 Veterans over the last three months of 2013 with over 200 still on the waiting list.

3) Shelly Gall - Aging and Disability Services/Senior RX Dental Program

- Aging, Disability Dental Pilot Program - Senior Disability RX pilot program has 1,100 people on program with 174 on the waiting list across the state of Nevada.
- They are working with Ameritas and their dental providers.
- They are working with OHP and Dr. Demopoulos to make this a permanent service in the community. They are also constructing their budgets for the next legislative session, hoping to get more than \$1,000 per person for services.

A) Lori Benvin asked if the numbers provided in the report can be split by region?

B) It was asked if Ameritas can provide reports for those who utilize the Senior RX program?

4) Pam Straley - Incline Village

- Community based, volunteer program in partnership with TMCC Dental Hygiene Program's Community Health students with Julie Stage-Rosenberg offers dental screening, oral health education and supplies, fluoride varnish, referrals and tracking to underserved children in the Incline Village area twice a year, primarily May & November. November 2013 event, saw 28 children and 16 needed a referral for treatment.
- They are also working on a pilot program with Washoe County School District and Matt Gustavsen, DDS. Dr. Gustavsen is now licensed in both Nevada and California.
- Event scheduled for Saturday, April 5th, 2014 from 10am-12noon, is in need of dental hygienists and a dentist.
- Working on MOU for school district with Caroline Ford from Tahoe Forrest Hospital for pilot program.
 - A) Melanie asked if data was being collected and advised that it is being recorded.

5) Laura Chavez - Joining Together Northern Nevada (JTNN)

- Gave overview of the CHW program at JTNN.
- Members requested informational brochures be brought to next meeting.

6) Barbara Heywood - State of Nevada Office of Primary Care

- Described her position doing HPSA designations.
- Nevada is limited with the National Health Service Corps. when it comes to oral health and the hiring of dentists.
- Advised that a new dentist was awarded in Elko.

7) Melanie Flores - AC4OH/CHW Program-Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

- An official report was handed out in addition to the AC4OH draft agenda and strategic work plan. Announced vacancy in AC4OH.
- Stated that the CDC Grant Funding ends in June 2014. Currently seeking funding/partnerships.
- The group expressed that having the CHW Program added regularly to the OHP update would be helpful.
- Melanie stated that she would have results of the Latino Health Needs Assessment available at the next meeting. AC4OH will meet on Friday, March 14th 2014 from 1pm-4pm. Locations to be determined.
- Will be seeking additional information regarding PANDA Project.
- Dr. Rosenberg asked if the UNLV-SDM who was working with HCC in Lyon County would also eventually come to Northern Nevada to provide services? Melanie advised that she would follow up with Dr. Demopoulos with that question.

8) Joshua Etcheoyhen & Shannon Sprout - Medicaid

- Updated group that the "Dental Dashboard" is slated to "go live" in approximately 60-90 days.
- Stated they are wrapping up their data component of the ASTDD State Synopsis.
- Advised people calling with questions be referred to website. District Office locations are located at bottom of site, www.DHCFP.nv.gov.
- Dr. Rosenberg questioned how the Affordable Care Act will impact Medicaid?

9) Lori Benvin - Northern Nevada Dental Society

- Discussed collaboration with CHA and their expansion of their Dental Health Program to include Veterans.
- RAM Event at Hug High School, April 11-April 13, 2014 to include dental, medical and vision services for the community. They are looking for provider volunteers to assist with the event.
- Advised "Give Kids a Smile" days coming up. A fundraiser concert featuring the "Mavericks" on March 29th, 2014. A Golf Tournament in September will be held to fund the Veterans portion of the program.

10) Chris Garvey-AC4OH

- via telephone, asked the question: "What do the coalitions need from AC4OH".
- What is the capacity of CUSP to help AC4OH deliver action items within the strategic work plan?

11) Dr. Rosenberg - (on behalf of) TMCC

- Advised Dental Hygiene Program running 1st and 2nd year classes for 2014.

12) Dr. Rosenberg - (on behalf of) Compassion Community Clinic

- Faith-based clinic in Sparks off of Pyramid Way offering free basic dental care, operating one Saturday per month.
- Currently looking for an Administrator.
- They operate with a volunteer dentist and volunteer hygienists.

13) Syd McKenzie -Oral Health Nevada-also speaking as a Non-member on behalf of the AC4OH

- Syd was requested by Chris Garvey to be the lead for Northern Nevada to connect CUSP and the AC4OH.
- Stated that she was on a "Fact Finding" mission for goals II, IV and V of the strategic work plan.
- Educate-Community, Providers, Legislature and move oral health in a positive direction and finding communality/common ground.
- Asking the question: "What do you need from CUSP and what can CUSP do for you"?
- Lori B. was unclear on the "ask" question and advised a unified message in working with associations and the importance of good relationships with the legislators.
- Dr. Rosenberg suggested bringing more agencies to the table aside from State Agencies. Asked the question: "How does the AC4OH have a stronger voice".
- How does CUSP re-engage the community to participate?
- Syd and Dr. Rosenberg to collaborate on a list of agencies to re-engage.

Syd McKenzie was named the new "Chair" for CUSP.

Next CUSP Meeting: April 7, 2014 at 2:00 pm at CHA Meadowood Administration Offices.

