



Minutes of the Coalition Meeting May 18, 2018

Meeting location: Nevada Dental Association
8863 West Flamingo Road, Suite 102
Las Vegas, Nevada 89147-8725

Vision: *Optimal oral health for all Clark County residents.*

Mission: *To achieve optimal oral health for all residents of Clark County by advocating for increased prevention, access and awareness*

1. Call to Order: 9:35 AM

Coalition Chair Cathie Davenport called the meeting to order and read the *Vision* and *Mission* statements.

Member Organizations & Representatives	Present	Not Present
Clark County School District: Irma Pumphrey School Nurse		X
College of Southern Nevada:		X
Dental Care International:		X
Future Smiles: Jan Taylor CCOH Treasurer, Future Smiles Case Manager	X	
State Dental Health Officer: Dr. Antonia Capurro State Public Hygienist: Judy White (by phone)	X	
Nevada Dental Association: Dr. Bob Talley		X
Nevada Dental Benefits: Cathie Davenport CCOH Chair, AC4OH Chair, Oral Health Nevada Board member and VP Client Relations Nevada Dental Benefits	X	
NV Dental Hygienists' Association:		X
NV Health Centers:		X
NV State Board of Dental Examiners:		X
Nevada Oral Health Program:		X
So. Nevada Dental Hygienists' Association:		X

Oral Health Nevada: Chris Garvey, AC4OH Committee, CCSD Trustee and AHEC Board member		X
Access Health Dental: Kristen Simmons Mobile Health Sales and Marketing		X
Liberty Dental: Laurie Curfman Client Operations Manager Eduardo Menchaca, Medicaid Community Service Dr. Tongsiri, Liberty Dental Director	X	
Liberty Dental: Anna Macias Director of Account Management By Phone		X
UNLV: Dr. Judy Skelton and AC4OH Committee		X

2. Participating Organizations Report

Jan Taylor reported that Future Smiles has been working for two months on the Wynn Clinic Project grant. They will have an answer at the end of the month. Future Smiles was part of the Mobile Health Collaboration. There was better participation at the Whitney Park. They gave our 40 children’s kits for the summer prophylaxis program. Project Smile is a MGM grant that provides free dental work for families. Future Smiles works with DCI and Access Health to provide dental care to those in need. They have also developed a relationship to get a discount on RCT treatment in the community.

Laurie Curfman from Liberty Dental indicated that Liberty is working on a lunch and learn for providers. They went to UNLV and worked with providers. They are trying to work with the front office and providers in the community to educate them on Medicaid billing process. They are also focusing on the large group practices. In the outreach they have determined specific providers issues so they can work to correct them. Liberty is also having staff work overtime to get passed due claims paid. They are working on a 17-day turnaround time.

Dr. Capurro mentioned in some cases offices were not trained correctly and these offices need to be contacted and trained again about billing. Dr. Gray has been personally calling providers to see what the issues are, and this has been very insightful. The providers did need to do a software upgrade which was approx. \$1800 to submit claims.

Laurie did indicate that that Liberty did accept web portals to submit ICD codes and as of Monday this should be an easier process. If the offices use a clearing house, they also worked with the offices on resolving that issue. There will be a member newsletter once the State approves the letter. Liberty will be attending the Northern Nevada Dental Society meeting.

Eduardo from Liberty Dental reported on various community outreach activities he is involved with throughout Southern Nevada. He is working with the Managed Care Organizations to discuss working with them on their diabetes program. Liberty has added a dental prophylaxis for adults. He has been working with CCSD starting workshops in May for elementary children. He is working on a partnership with the Library to see if he can do an oral health presentation. The West Las Vegas Library has a high concentration of Medicaid members and he is hoping this will help get communication to the community. He is also doing a table at a flea market on Sunday so he can do outreach to the community. He has printed pamphlets to give out to people who want to sign up for Medicaid.

Dr. Capurro went to the health district to get packets for Medicaid but they only included information about the medical plans not the dental information. She suggested to Liberty to see if it is possible to add that dental information to the packet.

3. Introduction of New Members/Guests

Dr. Amy Tongsirirong the new Dental Director for Liberty was introduced. She has been employed since January and is a graduate of UNLV. Dr. Tongsirirong has been working directly with providers to resolve issues and to educate them on the Medicaid benefits.

4. Minutes from the January 19, 2018 and the March 23, 2018 meeting were not approved; quorum was not met.

5. Executive Committee Reports

Treasury report: Jan Taylor

16 members

7/1/2017 Opening Balance	\$8905.21
5/17/2018 Revenue Memberships	\$ 350.00
2 Pro Bono	
5/17/2018 Expenses to date	\$1,153.00
3/22/2018 Best Buy Recorder	\$ 73.60
5/18/2018 Stmt Balance	\$8,028.61

Secretary Report

The Secretary position is currently open. We are asking for the participation reports to be submitted in written form. When we have our next meeting, we will address this position.

6. Report from Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health Oral Health Program

Dr. Capurro reported that AC4OH has several positions available that are up for renewal. Some members have decided to step down so there will openings.

The Medical Miles for Rural Smiles is going well. Liberty is working with Jessica Woods. The dental clinic has opened an office at the Southern Nevada Health District. They visited Nye and Esmeralda counties in April. They are going to Ely and McGill on May. They will visit Mesquite and Beatty in June as well as Goldfield, Tonopah and Pahrump. When they went to Pahrump event, they did needs assessment. It has been eight years since Tonopah has had a wellness fair. Dr. Capurro indicated that residents need cleaning and services. She is working to get a provider to do a vision exam. They are going to have someone from the State do a table to focus on medical and social services. Dr. Capurro is working to find a location for the event. She has been told by the community that Friday is the best day to come to Tonopah for the workers.

Judy White said that at the Strategic Planning meeting for Oral Health lead by Duane Young in Las Vegas she was told that her contract will not be renewed as of July 1, 2018. He said that the finding was not meant to sustain two positions permanently. They will not go forward at the upcoming legislation to make the position a State position. They are some people that have asked if they can write a letter to Richard Whitley about this decision. There was a CDC grant that was submitted that includes the participation of her current position. She is working on the Head Start data comparing it to 2004 and 2007 data. She has been supporting Dr. Capurro on the Medical Miles for Rural Smiles trips and the HERSA grant. In the grant infrastructure positions that are outlined need to be available. Judy said that her position was approved by the Governor. It makes her sad that all the hard work that has been done will not be fulfilled. Judy was told this position will not be filled till 2020-2021 which will mean started all the work over from what has already been completed.

It was decided to no hold the next CCOH meeting on July 21, 2108. We will have the regular meeting in September,

7. Committee Reports

8. Old Business

9. New Business

10. Suggestions on Next Meeting Topics

11. Announcements

12. Adjourn

Jan Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Laurie Curfman seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.