

CHILD HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

May 11, 2006

Attendees: Committee Members
Marilou Brodie, Sue Chambers, Debbie Stewart (sitting in for Charlotte Davis), Don Johnson (sitting in for Kathy McFetridge), Suzanne McCarthy, Richard Nugent, Rosemary Rodibaugh, Barbara Kumpe (sitting in for James Fasules), Carole Garner (sitting in for Jan Richter), Joe Don Parris, Steve Strode, Rhonda Sanders

Staff

JoAnn Bolick, Pamela Henry

Absentees: Dee Cox, Charlotte Davis, Blair Dean,
James Fasules, Kathy McFetridge, Jan Richter

Next Meeting: June 8, 2006
Room 906, Freeway Medical Building
5800 W. 10th St., Little Rock

JoAnn Bolick called the meeting to order. Minutes of the April 13, 2006 meeting were approved with the amended statement as read. Introductions from the committee and the audience were made.

Health Division Update – Dr. Richard Nugent stated that the Coordinated School Health Program staff is continuing to develop. The School Health Nurse Consultant position is currently in administrative process with human resources. Dr. Nugent welcomed Tamara Baker into her new position as Coordinated School Health Program Coordinator for Division of Health. Ms. Baker is currently completing her Masters in Public Health.

Child Nutrition Update – Shelia Brown stated that the statewide training for the Wellness Policy concluded in April with a total of 768 participants.

Sharlette Frazier, System Program Manager for Connect Care, gave a presentation on the services provided by Connect Care. Ms. Frazier gave a summary of Connect Care initiatives: promote preventive health services, encourage the use of a Connect Care physician, discourage the use of emergency room, provide information, and to promote healthy Arkansas initiatives.

Dr. Steve Strode provided the committee with information regarding the Childhood Obesity Review/AR Wellness Coalition. This information provided an evidence – based data supporting the use of BMI and discussing interventions and the adverse effects of interventions.

The committee discussed and made modifications to the CSHP Position Statement. A motion was made and seconded to accept the position statement with the modifications and the committee approved unanimously.

Carol Garner gave an update of American Beverage Association Policy – Helping Schools provide healthy settings for their students are a top priority for the Alliance for a Healthier Generation. The Alliance’s Healthy Schools Program will recognize schools that currently foster healthy environments and assist schools who need help doing so. These guidelines were developed to serve as the beverage criteria for the Healthy School Program. They will accelerate the shift to lower-calorie and nutrients beverages that children consume during the regular and extended school day. These guidelines have been adopted by the American Beverage Association, PepsiCo, Coca Cola, and Cadbury Schweppes as their new school beverage policy.

Rosemary Withers (CHPS & CHNS) inquired about the status of the Toolkit Revisions. JoAnn Bolick stated that the Life Stages Staff would be involved with Toolkit Revisions. JoAnn Bolick will follow up on the revisions and other changes on the CHAC (Act 1220) web page.

Rhonda Sanders asked for public comments, other business for discussion/agenda items for next month’s meeting.

The committee brainstormed areas on how the Coordinated School Health Position Statement could be used. Please see page 3.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00p.m.

BRAINSTORMING ON HOW TO USE THE COORDINATED SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM STATEMENT

What/Who do the CHAC send the CSH Position Statement to?

- legislation through PHW Committee
- DHHS
- DOE and Wellness Committee
- Website
- Letters to the editor
- Press Release
- Report to the PHW Committee
- Place on agenda with DOE/CSHP
- Partnership for CSHP – such as ACHI
- Family Physician Academy Pediatricians AR Medical Society – get an endorsement of Coordinated School Health (Steve Strobe and Sue Chambers agreed to work with Rhonda Sanders on obtaining this endorsement)
- Local Health Care Providers to join with schools and others to develop school and community health activities
- CSH sites making standing reports
- Book mark to carry Position Statement
- Exhibit at the Nutrition and Physical Activity Conference in Hot Springs, August 2006

Ideas from CHPS & CHNS:

- * Hometown Health Coalition
- * CHNS & CHPS meeting in June
- * What CHPS & CHNS can do for schools?
- * Links to School Health Nurses
- * Childhood Wellness Committee Packets
- * Use Educational Coops to communicate with School Administrators
- * Use online resources of CDC.Gov; DHHS/DOH to showcase community efforts
- * AR Chapter AAP Chair Dr. Missy Graham
- * AR Family Medicine August 2-4 booth