

## CHILD HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2006

Attendees: Committee Members  
Steve Strode, Rosemary Rodibaugh, Dee Cox, Charlotte Davis, Jan Richter, Barbara Kumpe (sitting in for James Fasules), Suzanne McCarthy, Richard Nugent, Sue Chambers, Joe Don Parris, Rhonda Sanders.

Staff  
JoAnn Bolick, Pamela Henry

Absentees: James Fasules, Marilou Brodie, Kathleen McFetridge, Blair Dean.

Next Meeting: July 13, 2006  
Room 906, Freeway Medical Building  
5800 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Little Rock

Rhonda Sanders called the meeting to order. Minutes of the May 11, 2006 meeting were approved as read.

Staff Update - JoAnn Bolick gave recognition to the following individuals for their accomplishments; Rhonda Sanders-Master of Public Health, Tamara Baker-Master of Public Health, Sumonia Daniels-Master of Public Health, Carole Garner- College of Public Health Faculty Award for Excellence in Public Service, Jan Richter- College of Public Health Award, Suzanne McCarthy – inducted into the Delta Honorary Omega Society.

JoAnn Bolick provided an update to the committee on the status of an exhibit board for the Advisory Committee and the possibility of developing the position statement on Coordinated School Health into a brochure. JoAnn stated that the development of the brochure and the exhibit board for Act 1220 would include the efforts and input from Sumonia Daniels and Sharlette Frazier of Connect Care. JoAnn stated that she would display the Child Health Advisory Committee exhibit at the Summer Institute that will be held July 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at the Wyndham Hotel.

Health Division Update – Dr. Richard Nugent stated that he attended the Maternal Child Health meeting in Kansas City. This meeting focused on technical assistance in writing the MCH Block Grant.

Education Department Update – Dee Cox stated that she attended the State School Board Association conference in Chicago, Illinois. Dee stated that she spoke to a CDC representative and he expressed how pleased he was with knowledge of what Arkansas

was doing regarding coordinated school health. Dee stated that she was contacted by the Governor's office regarding information that the state of Mississippi was requesting about Arkansas Coordinated School Health Program. Dee stated that she is expecting to have 8 – 10 model schools next year. Dee stated that training dates for Vision Screening are almost established. Dee stated that ADE is working with ACHI to get on a secured server for the BMI Program.

Child Nutrition Update – Sheila Brown stated that Summer Training would take place for the next two months. Sheila stated that the Director's Grant Conference is scheduled for the first week of August 2006.

Hometown Health Update – Andi Ridgeway introduced two new CHNS: Cynthia Wilborn – Central Region and Denise Potts – Western Arkansas Coop.

Victoria Brown gave a presentation for Coordinated School Health. Victoria stated that with the team effort of JoAnn Bolick, Dee Cox, Carladder Parham, Tamara Baker, Rhonda Sanders, along with the Department of Education, DHHS - Division of Health, Center for Health Advancement, Hometown Health, the Director's Office, and AR Advocates for Children and Families, they have been meeting to create a stable infrastructure for Coordinated School Health along with the CHPS & CHNS. Victoria stated that an environmental scan on forty-three districts was conducted based on the following criteria: region, percentage of Medicaid eligibility in the district, percentage on free and reduced lunch, BMI, number of school nurses in district, ABC Program in public schools, how they interface with local Coops, and received the CHPS and CHNS perspectives. Victoria stated that after all of these factors were prioritized, a vote was taken that resulted in the following eleven finalists: Batesville, DeQueen, Dollarway, Forrest City, Green Forrest, Harrison, Monticello, Hot Springs, Marvell, Paragould, and West Memphis. Marvell and Harrison accepted, West Memphis declined, and the remainder of the districts are pending. Victoria stated that the superintendents received a letter from Ken James and Mr. Selig inviting them to be a Coordinated School Health Model School for the 2006-2007 School Year and to attend the Kick Off to Coordinated School Health Workshop on July 10-11 at the Wyndham Hotel in North Little Rock. The requirements included naming a Coordinated School Health Coordinator, working team to meet regularly, and submission of a work plan. Victoria stated that feedback from this assessment has been positive.

Nena Sanchez from the Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care gave a presentation for the committee. Nena stated that the Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care provides quality improvement services and technical assistance to providers such as nursing homes, home health agencies, and hospitals. Nena stated that some of AFMC topics of interest include: asthma, cervical cancer, antibiotic resistance, breast cancer, and Chlamydia screens (all involves Medicaid). Nena stated that the Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care partner with other organizations such as; ACHI, Division of Health, Hospital Associations etc., to improve healthcare for Arkansas. Nena provided an informational brochure with detailed information.

Rhonda Sanders reviewed Act 1220 with the committee. It was agreed upon to email Rhonda with any suggestions or comments regarding Act 1220. The committee also reviewed work from the last meeting regarding the areas that were brainstormed on how the Coordinated School Health Position Statement could be used

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

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