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THE FOLLOWING ARE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD AT THE GREEN LAKE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 571 COUNTY ROAD A, GREEN LAKE, WI ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2014 AT 8:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sara Mueller, Kathy Munsey, Jean Kessler, Jack Meyers, Cindy Skipchak, Jeanne Lyke, Katherine Vergos

ALSO PRESENT: Karen Davis, LeRoy Dissing

EXCUSED: Abbie Griswold

Certification of Open Meeting Law: The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Call to Order: Skipchak called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: Motion/Second (Vergos/Mueller) to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion/second (Kessler/Mueller) made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2013 meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Appearances: None.

Approval of Rabies Policy: Ben Weiler, Environmental Specialist, was present to explain the revised Rabies policy. (See attached.) Suggestions were made for revisions. Discussion followed. Motion/second (Lyke/Kessler) to approved the revised Rabies Policy with revisions. All ayes. Motion carried.

Environmental Health Issues/Agent Status Report: Weiler distributed the annual report for the year 2013 including inspections and other issues such as animal bites, radon/water tests, etc.

Quarterly Update: Munsey reported that 800 flu shot were ordered. Those were all distributed and Munsey re-ordered and ended up giving over 1000 flu shots.

Munsey updated Committee members regarding the 5-county tobacco coalition. Munsey reported that Green Lake County will not be a part of the coalition in 2014 due to the requirements involved to receive the \$600.00 in funding. Munsey reported that the Health Unit will continue to focus on tobacco priorities within the county which include decreasing the number of women who smoke while pregnant.

Munsey reported that The Department of Health & Human Services has starting holding Inter-Agency meetings again. Munsey reported that because of one of the major concerns determined through the Needs Assessment, two of the inter-agency meetings have focused on mental health/drug issues. There have been excellent speakers, including Lou Oppor, Section Chief, Substance Abuse Services Bureau of Prevention, Treatment & Recovery from the WI Dept. of Health Services providing information on the drug issues, particularly heroin in Green Lake County.

Vergos reported that their facility is in the process of looking at providing out-patient behavioral health services through funding sources and Ripon Medical Center is deciding where these services will be provided.

Munsey reported that two of her staff, Soda and Loewe, went to the Tuberculosis Summit that was held. Munsey explained the tuberculosis outbreak that took place in Sheboygan County, i.e. Cost and man hours to cover taking care of the tuberculosis cases to prevent further spread. Munsey reported that the tuberculosis policy is being updated to reflect changes in the state TB program. Discussion followed.

Munsey reported that on November 7, 2013, a diabetes health fair was held in Berlin. The Health Unit had a booth there for education and gave tetanus shots. Discussion followed.

Munsey reported that she presented at the two TRIAD committee meetings regarding emergency preparedness.

Munsey reported that the immunization clinics have changed locations because of the new ruling regarding only providing immunizations to those children that have Medical Assistance or those uninsured. Munsey explained updated clinic schedule to best meet the needs. We are partnering with Care 4U Clinic in Dalton and holding clinics there every other month on the odd months. This clinic serves many Amish in our community but does not provide immunizations so we can help with that gap.

Final Budget Review for 2014: Munsey reported that the budget was approved for 2014. There were minor changes within the Health Unit. Munsey reported that she put funding in for a grant that was applied for. Munsey updated Committee members that Green Lake County was awarded this grant funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 to work towards accreditation.

Public Health Preparedness: Munsey reported that working with the northeast region for an exercise drill to be held in the spring. We are also working on the mass fatality (mortuary) plan. Munsey reported that statewide, there needs to be a mass casualty plans developed in each county. Munsey reported that the County needs to determine the staging area for bodies in the county if we have a mass fatality incident. The Preparedness Planning Committee, (which includes Kathy Munsey) met in September to review the updated plan. The Department of Health & Human Services will need to function as the family assistance center where families can come for grief counseling and guide them to correct place in case they need to find or identify a loved one. Discussion followed.

Munsey reported that on March 25th a tornado drill will be held as part of a functional exercise. There will be mass fatalities in which the Department of Health & Human Services will be the Family Assistnace Center. All emergency operations centers will be open in the region for this drill. Munsey reported that this a three-year planning process. In 2015, there will be a full scale drill.

Wisconsin Well Women's Program: Munsey reported that because of the Affordable Care Act, and its intent to cover more people, the Wisconsin Well Women's program will be discontinued as of June 30, 2014. A new provider network will begin on July 1, 2014 for those who may fall through the cracks and not be eligible for either Medical Assistance or BadgerCare. Discussion followed. Munsey reported that Westover will retain her position until December 31, 2014 to help transition women into new insurance programs.

Approval of Community Health Improvement Plan: Munsey explained the Community Health Improvement Project (CHIP) final plan. (See attached.) Munsey explained the final changes that were made. Motion to approve with minor changes.

Motion/second (Vergos/Lyke) to approve the final Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) with the discussed revisions. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board Training: DHS 140 Review for Local Health Departments: Munsey distributed the information regarding the DHS 140 review which is the State accreditation process. Four agencies were chosen for the pilot, one of them being Green Lake County. The review will be on February 4, 2014 from 9:00 - noon. Munsey explained the criterion that needs to be met to meet the accreditation standards for the DHS 140 review. Munsey reported that the Board members are invited to attend on the 4th. Munsey stated that one board member needs to be present. Skipchak reported that she will be in attendance. Discussion followed.

Committee Discussion: Future Meeting Date: The next Health Advisory Committee meeting will be held on April 9, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. at the Human Services Center. Future meeting dates July 9, 2014 and October 8, 2014.

Future Agenda Items: Health Officer Abatement issues, quarterly update, bioterrorism consortium, mortuary plan, community health improvement plan progress

Adjournment: Motion/second (Meyers/Vergos) to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 a.m.