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MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSION ON HEALTH

Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2017

401 Hungerford Drive, Rockville, Maryland

Members Present: Sean Bailey, Mitchell Berger, Laura Boyle, Maya Das, Lenna Israbian-Jamgochian, Jessica Kronstadt, Linda McMillan, Susan Milstein, Tonya Saffer, and Fabienne Santel.

Members Absent: Brandie Armijo, Brenda Brooks, Stacey Burton Dey Foy, Marla Caplon, Ilana Cohen, Michelle Hawkins, Pierre Marie Longkeng, Kathy Mann Koepke, Sheela Modin, and Daniel Russ.

Staff Present: Mark Hodge, Ellen Segal, and Karen Thompkins.

Guest Speaker: Dourakine Rosarion

1.0 Call to Order and Welcome

- Chair Lenna Israbian-Jamgochian called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

2.0 COH Minutes and Next Meetings

- A motion to approve the July 2017 minutes was made by Susan Milstein and seconded by Tonya Saffer. The minutes were approved unanimously by voiced consent.
- The next COH meeting, the COH Retreat, will be Thursday, October 19, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Ingleside at King Farm, 701 King Farm Blvd., Rockville, Maryland 20850. The following meeting will be November 16, 2017 at 401 Hungerford Drive, Conference Room 1A and B, Rockville, Maryland, 20850.

3.0 COH Updates

- Everyone responded to the emails for workgroup summaries for the annual report. It will be put together and sent out to the commissioners for approval. Mitch Berger mentioned prior layouts for the annual reports and is assisting with compiling the report.
- October 18 the County Council will be meeting with the Montgomery County Boards, Committees and Commissions, with each of the organizations having time to state their accomplishments for the year and future goals.
- County Council should give final consent for the new COH members on October 10th.

4.0 Affordable Care Act Updates – Dourakine Rosarion

- 2018 challenges include a 90% cut for outreach by the Federal Government, premium rate increases, shorter open enrollment period, and limited insurer participation.
- Open enrollment begins November 1st and ends December 15th.
- Eligible people include a US Citizens, National, or lawfully present individuals; Maryland residents; and not currently incarcerated persons.
- Enrollment options include in-person assistance through an insurance broker, certified application counselors, or at Montgomery County enrollment sites. Enrollment may also take place via the website, through the call center at 1-855-642-8572, or through a mobile app.

- A website will be up and running by the end of September with anonymous browsing where people can look at the plans and prices.
- If someone is continuing coverage, it is important they go online and provide key information about themselves, even if nothing has changed. If this is not done, they will be placed in a plan with no subsidies.
- At county sites, hours will be extended for open enrollment.

5.0 Public Health Services Chief's Report– Mark Hodge

A few highlights include:

- Dental Services increased the number of uninsured residents served by 18% for FY17 over FY16, mostly due to the increase in dental providers working with the clinics. 6,340 patients were provided oral health services and 13,140 encounters for the fiscal year.
- The Maternity Partnership Program's enrollment for FY17 was 9% lower than the prior fiscal year with a total of 1,799 pregnant women enrolled.
- Care for Kids saw a 18% increase in enrollment from FY16 to FY17; the total enrolled were 5670 children.
- Proyecto Salud is in a temporary trailer in the parking lot at the corner of University Blvd. and Veirs Mill Rd. Behavioral Health staff will be located directly across from Proyecto Salud.

6.0 Liaison Reports

Mental Health Advisory Board – Jessica Kronstadt

- The board is considering transportation and childcare.
- The organization is stronger, with more finances, due to its collaboration with Easter Seals.

County Council Report – Linda McMillan

- October 2, 2017: HHS meets with County Council on the strategic health plan.
- October 18, 2017: County Council breakfast with HHS boards and commissions. The boards and commissions will get a chance to give summaries of the accomplishments of the past year and upcoming goals and strategies.
- October 19, 2017: County Council meets on substance abuse prevention efforts in schools.
- October 24, 2017: There will be a morning session with a health update from the Health Officer.

Montgomery Cares Advisory Board – Sean Bailey

- The MCAB retreat takes place next Wednesday at the Ingleside at Kings Farm.

7.0 New Business

- Jessica Kronstadt has taken the lead on the new member orientation committee. She will be working with Tonya Saffer.
 - Tonya mentioned seeing other boards where the new members were met with one-on-one, making them feel more comfortable.
- Sean feels we need a more updated website and would like to put together a committee to handle that. Mary Anderson is currently the website support.

8.0 COH Retreat

- The COH Retreat will be held Thursday, October 19, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Ingleside at King Farm, 701 King Farm Blvd., Rockville, Maryland 20850.
- The goal is to set priorities. Three topics of interest include alternative medicine; bullying; and the opioid crisis.

- COH would like Dr. Travis Gayles to be a speaker. The group would also like a summary of the Healthy Montgomery Community Health Needs Assessment and EICM from Chunfu Liu and Mark Hodge. It would be helpful to know the needs of the population and DHHS' role. COH would like updates on PHAB.

9.0 Motion to Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Thompkins".

Karen Thompkins
Commission on Health