January 19, 2016 meeting notes


Staff:    Lydia Gherman, Jeff Harbison, Janis Koch, Alan Melnick, Cyndie Meyer, Pat Shaw, Don Strick, Roxanne Wolfe

Guest:   Tara Glynn, Trista Zugel-Bensel

(1) WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS/APPROVAL OF MEETING NOTES (Mark)
Mark opened the meeting and everyone introduced themselves. The council reviewed the meeting notes from November 2015. Paul moved and Joan seconded motion to approve the meeting notes as submitted.

(2) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Mark)
  ▪ New Positions:
    – Executive Committee for 2016 are: (Chair) Mark Collier, (Co-Chair) Stephanie Roise-Yamashita and (Member at Large) Adrianne Fairbanks
  ▪ New PHAC Members:
    – Steve Becker, Amy Bishop-Smith and Adrianne Fairbanks

(3) DEPARTMENT UPDATE (Cyndie, Alan, Don)
  ▪ Grant status update:
    – Marijuana Tax Funding: Clark County Public Health will partner with ESD 112 to cover 3 years of work. We are receiving $167,000 that will cover work on policy development for SIP laws, community awareness, education, ACEs development for local educators, and a youth project.
    – Kaiser Permanente Funding: Clark County Public Health is receiving a 3 year grant for $250,000. This award is to improve central Vancouver’s health through the active living project. CCPH will be working with several partners for the physical activity along the Fourth Plain corridor.
    – USDA Farm to School Grant: Clark County Public Health is receiving a two year, $100,000 grant. CCPH will partner with Vancouver Public Schools and WSU Extension to support local agriculture.

  ▪ Ethics-ventilator update:
    – Ventilator allocation strategy will be used only when demand for ventilators exceeds supply.
      o Critical care will save lives during a pandemic
    – Principles during a pandemic:
      o Respect for persons and their autonomy, beneficence, non-maleficence, justice
      o MD decision will be guided by benefits to population as a whole, not just to the individual patient
      o Allocation decisions should be consistent across people, should not increase disparities. Same rules apply to all.
People removed from ventilator should get palliative care.
Strategies will be based on best available science and evidence.
Maximize the number of lives saved
Each individual should have an equal chance to live through various phases of life.

- **Scoring system:**
  - Physicians will come up with draft scoring system that will include short term survival, years of life saved, and opportunities to experience each stage of life.
  - The ventilator allocation will be brought to the ethics committee once the procedure is fully drafted. For deliberation on this topic please feel free to join.

- **RHA update:**
  - Regional Health Alliance came together 6 years ago and implements a regional approach to healthcare integration. The state is divided into regions in order to best promote the health of our region’s residents, especially vulnerable populations. Substance use and mental health is being combined with medical/clinical care to administer the Medicaid program.

- **BHSO:**
  - Behavioral Health Services Organization
  They will be providing services for the non-Medicaid programs that still need to be delivered such as crisis services.

- **RHA – HCA:**
  - Their role will be to implement the Regional Health Improvement Plan along with data oversight, system monitoring and how health care is being delivered.
  - Behavioral health and primary care will share data around social determinants of health and to connect people to appropriate care.

- **Public Health Community Awards/Public Health week:**
  - This is a nomination award that Clark County Public Health puts on in April. The award recognizes an individual and/or organization for their contributions to the community’s health and winners are acknowledged before the board.
  - We would like someone from PHAC to make the nomination selection. Form is available at [https://www.clark.wa.gov/public-health](https://www.clark.wa.gov/public-health).

- **Chris Goodwin-Intro:**
  - He is our new Partnership Coordinator for Clark County Public Health and will start on February 16th. He may attend the March meeting for introduction and background information.

- **Budget update:**
  - Projected $1.5M operating budget deficit
    - Sharp increases in employee benefit costs in 2016 (medical insurance, PERS)
    - Stagnant revenue sources
    - Environmental Public Health (EPH) fees last adjusted in 2012
    - 80% reduction in Dept of Environmental Services (DES) support of CCPH Solid & Hazardous Waste
      - Support to be completely eliminated in 2019
  - $550K-$600K of projected $1.5M deficit would be mitigated with adjustment to Environmental Public Health (EPH) fees
    - Projected EPH fees based on BOCC (2012) directive:
      - Fees should be based on total cost of providing the service
- Non-fee ("greater good") work, such as foodborne illness investigations is funded by County General Fund
  - Public Health fund balance projected to be approximately $800K below minimum target at beginning of 2017
    - $1.9M reduction in 2015-16 General Fund support

(4) PROGRAM UPDATE/INFORM/DISCUSS (Alan, Pat, Cyndie, Roxanne)

- Nurse-Family Partnership:
  - Pat Shaw is the manager for this program. The program’s goal is to support first time moms towards a healthy pregnancy and healthy delivery. In addition, the program prepares the mom and baby to be self-sufficient. This is an evidence based program with data to show that this investment creates a longer term to the community.
  - Nurse-Family Partnership support:
    - NFP initially focuses on the baby and then mom, dad and environment to help build a strong network of support for family’s future
    - They help find ways to promote education and job skills development
    - Nurses collect information for immunization, breast feeding and planning for the future.
    - The process reduces short interval pregnancy by a third, and offers maternity support services.
    - Referrals are given for healthcare, childcare, job training and other support services available in the community
  - For the 2017-2018 budget years, CCPH is looking for sustainable funding for these programs since most of new grants are for expansion rather than for maintaining. We would like to maintain the program here but if not possible at least in the community. If you have any suggestions or feedback we welcome that and will revisit at PHAC in the next 3-4 months for ideas.
  - State of WA is looking at using Medicaid dollars for NFP. ESD 112 is one of the potential partners.

- ACEs: Training update and progress in Battle Ground
  - Cyndie Mayer is the Program Manager at Clark County Public Health who is involved in the Adverse Childhood Experience (ACEs) Action Alliance. ACEs are potentially traumatic events that take place before a child is 18 years old. The study found a correlation between childhood maltreatment and coping mechanisms that impacts the way a brain develops and may be transferred for generations.
  - Dr. Everson, a family physician, will be completing her practicum in preventive medicine and public health at CCPH over the coming year and will be working on ACEs screening in private practice.
  - CCPH is receiving a Community Foundation grant for $50,000 per year grant for three years to provide ACEs training for Battle Ground schools, police, and resident.
  - Youth Mental Health First Aid is a program being instituted in Battle Ground in conjunction with the AWARE grant. The program teaches caring adults how to provide a “first responder approach” to depression and other mental health crises among youth. Anyone can attend this 8 hour program and can register at wymfabg.com.
  - There is discussion with ESD 112 for further work on ACEs that may fall under the marijuana prevention work plan.

(5) PUBLIC COMMENT
No comments.

(6) ADJOURN
The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.