



APPROVED MINUTES
Health and Human Services Committee
Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 5:00 PM
Community Room HHS Building

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Wisconsin**

1	Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ron Benish at 5:00 PM
2	<p><u>Roll Call was taken.</u></p> <p>Member present: Supervisor Benish, Supervisor Bomkamp, Supervisor Lindholm Supervisor Meyers and Supervisor Paull. Supervisor Clerkin and Supervisor Meek were excused.</p> <p>Others present: Supervisor Ken Palzkill, Jake Tarrell, Donna Clark, ADRC-DSS Director Tom Slaney, Bloomfield Administrator Penny Clary, Unified Counseling Services Director Kathy Shannon-Rink, Health Director Jenny Pritchett, Veterans Service Officer Jeff Lindeman, U W Extension Family Living Agent Ruth Schriefer, ADRC Manager Rebecca Wetter and County Administrator Curt Kephart</p>
3	<p><u>Approve the agenda for this meeting.</u></p> <p>Sup. Lindholm moved to change agenda item #9 to immediately after agenda item #5 on the January 15, 2014 meeting agenda. Sup. Bomkamp seconded the motion. Motion carried.</p>
4	<p><u>Approve the minutes of the October 8, 2014 meeting.</u></p> <p>Sup. Bomkamp moved to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2014 meeting. Sup. Paull seconded the motion. Motion carried.</p>
5	<p><u>Comments or reports from the audience or committee members.</u></p> <p>No Comments or reports given</p>
9	<p><u>U W Extension Update:</u></p> <p>Family Living Agent Ruth Schriefer handed out a map titled UW-Extension & Iowa County Schools Partnering to Enhance Education. The map included a key showing 9 different programs the department offered and the staff involved with each program. Ruth explained each program and gave an example of how it was partnered in a specific school. The department prides themselves in being partners with schools.</p>
6	<p><u>Election of HHS Committee Vice Chairman position:</u></p> <p>Chairman Benish explained the position vacancy occurred when Supervisor Bauer resigned. The chairman opened the floor for nomination for the HHS Vice Chairman position. Supervisor Lindholm nominated Supervisor Paull. No other nominations were made. Supervisor Lindholm made a motion to cast a unanimous vote for Supervisor Paull to be the HHS Vice Chairman. Seconded by Supervisor Meyers. Motion carried.</p>

7	<p><u>Discussion and possible action on transferring the Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program from Unified Community Services to Iowa County DSS/ADRC</u></p> <p>ADRC Manager Rebecca Wetter passed out a handout describing both the Alzheimer's Family & Caregiver Support Program (AFCSP) and the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP). Currently, Unified runs the AFCS program and the ADRC runs the NFCS program. Both programs focus on caregiving in a person's home. The ADRC has offered to run both programs to streamline the process for better customer service. The Unified Board has already approved transferring the lead agency designation to the ADRC at its December 12, 2014 meeting. The program has funding of \$5,635 in 2015 and does not require any county matching funding like the NFCSP requires. Most referrals for the AFCSP come through the ADRC contacts. This transfer would eliminate the need to refer these clients on to Unified. A motion by Supervisor Lindholm to transfer the lead agency designation for the AFCS program in 2015 from Unified Community Services to the ADRC in Iowa County. Seconded by Supervisor Bomkamp. Motion carried.</p>
8	<p><u>SUN PROGRAM:</u></p> <p>No report</p>
10	<p><u>Veteran's Office Update:</u></p> <p>Veterans Service Officer Jeff Lindeman informed the committee that Kevin McDonald of Commonwealth Development Company has contacted his office with a proposed MOU between Commonwealth and Iowa County Veterans Office. Commonwealth is planning to develop a 40 unit apartment complex in Dodgeville and would earmark 10 units for veterans and disabled individuals. The MOU asks each party to make referrals to the other when appropriate. Supervisor Lindholm asked if the facility has subsidized rental assistance. Jeff thought some units were subsidized but not all units.</p> <p>Jeff referenced a recent news article about prescription concerns at the VA Center in Tomah. He indicated very few Iowa County veterans use this facility. Most use the Madison VA hospital.</p> <p>The office has received a fair number of calls about the Veterans Choice Cards. The office has had to clarify this program is a temporary program used to address the long distance and wait times experienced for veterans to access health services. This program is intended for veterans more than 40 miles from a facility (as the crow flies) or with a wait time over 30 days from a reasonably expected appointment time. All services need prior authorization as well.</p>
11	<p><u>Health Department Update:</u></p> <p>Health Director Jenny Pritchett passed out a Director's Report and a Strategic Plan Progress Report.</p> <p>The Director's Report indicated that influenza is currently at epidemic levels in the state and nationwide. Iowa County had 11 influenza hospitalizations. The state has released the National Stockpile of Tamiflu to be used by health departments for treatment of influenza outbreaks. ICHD has secured two cases (96 treatments) of Tamiflu.</p> <p>Ebola preparedness and Norovirus gastrointestinal outbreak surveillance continue to be a high priority for the department.</p>

	<p>Monthly public health visits/contacts were provided through October.</p> <p>Radon tests are still available free of charge to Iowa County residents at the Health Department.</p> <p>Health Director Pritchett asked the committee to review the Strategic Plan Progress Reports at their convenience and bring any questions back to our next meeting. The Strategic Plan was adopted in July 2014.</p>
12	<p><u>Unified Community Services Update:</u></p> <p>UCS Director Kathy Shannon-Rink informed the committee they are going to increase the availability of psychiatric coverage in Grant & Iowa Counties. Iowa County will have an additional day of coverage, while 2 additional days will be added in Grant County. UCS also provides a child psychologist.</p> <p>A handout of the Mobile Crisis Program outcomes was distributed showing both telephone and mobile dispatched staff contacts. The crisis hotline received 153 calls from November 1st to December 31st. The graph shows only 22 calls resulted in Emergency Detentions (12 happened during the Mobil Crisis hours). The program has cost \$7,500 during this time period. The average cost of an Emergency Detention is \$4,000. The mobile crisis program diverted 11 cases during this period, thus providing a savings of \$44,000 of ED expenses. Client linkage to services and follow up contacts are an important part of this process.</p>
13	<p><u>Bloomfield Healthcare & Rehabilitation Update:</u></p> <p>Bloomfield Administrator Penny Clary provided a report on average Daily census and payer source mix. Current census is 61, with an average census of 59 beds in 2014.</p> <p>Administrator Clary informed the committee the Samuels Group has been selected to assist the Bloomfield Committee with timelines for an RFP for an architectural firm and assessment of the RFPs submitted. An architectural firm is needed to develop a schematic drawing (preliminary plan) to proceed with the tasks assigned to the Bloomfield Committee.</p> <p>The Employee Relations and Social Worker positions recently resigned at Bloomfield. Recruitment will begin as soon as possible. They will ask for assistance from DSS staff if needed.</p> <p>Penny clarified the financial statements provided at the last ASC meeting were preliminary reports and did not include much of their revenue.</p>
14	<p><u>ADRC Update:</u></p> <p>ADRC Manager Rebecca Wetter stated the collaborative Yoga Research Project started last week. Fifteen people are enrolled in this first research group. We had more people interested in participating in this group than slots available in the group.</p>

	<p>ADRC staff started a Healthy Living with Diabetes workshop on January 6th co-sponsored with Upland Hills Health. The workshops are being held at UHH. Kari Bennett (Health Dept. Nurse) is also trained as a leader of this class and will offer another workshop later this year.</p> <p>The department completed our Medicare Part D enrollment on December 7th. Due to an error with the Medicare Pathfinder tool used in enrolment, a special enrollment period will be offered to people enrolled in the Aetna plan.</p> <p>The department is partnering with AARP to offer tax preparation services starting February 5th. Two sites will be offered this year, one in Dodgeville and one in Spring Green.</p> <p>Our Adult Protective Services staff has had an increase in self-neglect referrals on frail elders who were competent but were living in potentially unsafe conditions. The staff must work hard to develop relationships with these individuals, so we can put in place appropriate plans to manage any risks.</p>
15	<p><u>Social Services Department Update:</u></p> <p>DSS Director Tom Slaney informed the committee of a proposal to return 17 year old offenders to the Juvenile Justice system. Currently, 17 year old offenders are waived into Adult Court. There is a discrepancy in identifying how much funding would be needed to make this change between the legislature and the Wisconsin County Human Service Association.</p> <p>The Iowa County regional enrollment network is planning a Super Saturday event to promote enrollment in healthcare coverage. This is a statewide outreach project two weeks before the federal marketplace closes open enrollment. It will be held on January 31st from 9:00 until 1:00 at the Southwest Technical College Outreach center in the Spring Gate Mall in Dodgeville.</p> <p>The 2014 Holiday Project served 153 families that included 206 adults, 327 children and 30 elderly individuals. Food baskets and gifts were distributed to these families.</p>
16	<p>Next meeting date set for February 4, 2015 at 5:00 pm.</p>
17	<p>Motion to Adjourn by Supervisor Bomkamp, seconded by Supervisor Lindholm at 6:12 pm. Motion Carried.</p>
	<p>Minutes by Tom Slaney</p>