

Partnership for a Healthy Community Board Meeting Minutes August 24, 2023

Members Present: Phil Baer Amy Fox

Sally Gambacorta Holly Bill Adam Sturdavant Jay Collier Nicole Robertson Chris Setti

Hillary Aggertt Monica Hendrickson

Kate Green Beth Crider Jennifer Zammuto (via Teams)

Others Present: Amy Roberts Megan Hanley

Dr. Sara Donohue Dr. Sara Kelly

Approval of 07/27/23 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Fox made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 27, 2023 meeting. Motion was seconded by Mr. Setti. Motion carried (13,0).

Committee Updates

HEAL

Ms. Aggertt stated that Hunger Action Month is in September and the bridge will be lit for it on September 1st and there is a walk on September 30th. The only entrance fee is bringing a green light food. Local pantries will be on sight to collect the food to take it back. A toolkit will be featured on the website highlighting how to get involved and all the different groups. All three counties are doing proclamations around food insecurity that month as well. The Nourish Your Neighbor campaign will continue with the help of HEAL partners, on September 16th from 10:00am to 2:00pm they will be collecting food at Kroger in Peoria, Tazewell, and Fulton County, which will go directly to food pantries that day. For physical activity, they have worked with the Data team to see how to increase participants and collect the data, from gyms, park districts, etc. The three health departments have agreed to purchase a walker/tracker app for a year to collect data. The app can collect any physical activity and can create teams, this will be an experiment to see if that works. There is some built environment work continuing being done in Peoria. Tazewell is working to do an active transportation plan in Pekin. They are trying to get a campaign together for the spring called Move Your Way, wanting people to move, giving credit to any activities.

Mental Health

Ms. Bill stated that not much has changed, but the Co-Chairs will have two different meeting groups to address the 2 separate areas. Dr. Fisher has joined the group, which has been helpful and her suggestion, which she was already working on, is creating toolkits for PCPs to help them handle easier or less severe cases. Will need a lead for the adult level toolkit. This will help reduce the wait list for providers. They also have performance management programs continuing from the previous cycle. For the telehealth side, they want specialty cared individuals tuning in on telehealth, but more for the secondary and primary level to not overuse the specialty levels if they don't need it. They have a ton of data, but how do they get the baseline they need. Dr. Kelly noted she can help.

Obesity

Mr. Baer stated that the Obesity team is working through a 3-tier intervention model and worked through the handout of the team's dashboard. They are working on making pediatric adolescent obesity care a leader driven priority. This section has treatment, counseling, other therapy and Dr. Christianson and Dr. Fisher are sharing tools and how treatment is happening now and identifying gaps. The programs that exist today seem to be maxed out, a system-level issue. The secondary target group was early on focused on finding an app that is easy and effective to engage the community to use, it would help with education and expanding knowledge around adolescent obesity. At this point, there are tools out there, but the effectiveness is questionable and unsure if they will help move the needle, not a lot of evidence out there. They are still flushing out what this could be, even with the electronic medical records. They were to also develop a standardized evidence-based toolkit for PCPs and adolescents. The other target area is how to engage with families for adolescents to be the most successful.

Data Team

Dr. Sara Kelly stated that they are developing a quarterly report. They are making sure they are looking through the health equity lense and social determinants of health. It will be lengthy, but will have it for the next meeting.

Website & Social Media

Ms. Aggertt said that she is working on getting that up and running and there is a lot at the beginning to get it updated. She asked that any action teams please go on there and make sure it's meeting their needs. She is still hoping that in September action team Co-Chairs will be updating their own information.

Performance Management

Cancer

Ms. Robertson stated that the Cancer Action Team met in May and August. One of the biggest deliverables is the community-wide screening days. The event was in May at the Pekin Carle location and OSF. Another one is scheduled for October 20th at Carle on North Allen and OSF at Route 91. Both hospital systems love that it's being promoted as a community-wide screening event, and they are on target to complete their goal. Ms. Robertson shared partnerships with the American Cancer Society, including transportation and lodging grants with OSF and Carle Methodist for cancer related treatment. She discussed what exactly it provides and how much it can cover. Ms. Robertson added they would like to ask for more money at a ministry level for the next cycle, which starts in April. There is a current partnership with Carle that is focusing on lung cancer screening with a grant of \$20,000. Ms. Robertson is working with Heartland Health Services to increase their breast cancer screening rates, with another grant. Another program is, Road to Recovery and they have active drivers in all three counties and more, patients can get free transportation to and from cancer related appointments. The action team will collect all the data to prepare for a year end annual report. They also will be working on re-engaging members.

Substance Use

Megan Hanley, Substance Use Co-Chair, stated that the large groups meets every other month and the workgroups meet every month. All of the Health Departments are represented, harm reduction, and treatment partners. They are working on Narcan/harm reduction and outreach and August 31st is Overdose Awareness Day. There will be a press release and events, as well as the bridge being lit purple. They are also working on adolescent education on substance use prevention, making sure

school districts have access to some sort of education. Their measurement from that will be the IL Youth survey. The last thing they are working on is treatment provider through Katy Endress at PCCHD and Heartland, working on gap assessment and stigmas. In the Substance Use group, they have a member that works with the IL National Guard, narcotics enforcement division. Ms. Hendrickson added that PCCHD will be releasing 5 Narcan vending machines with the fentanyl test strips, working with Ms. Green to determine locations.

STI and Teen Pregnancy

Ms. Bill stated they have loosely resurrected the Reproductive Health workgroup. They have partners meeting together to focus on STIs and teen pregnancies in 61603, 61604, 61605 as the numbers are on the rise again. The group discussed what was done previously and that it seemed effective and how are they moving forward. They had used the CDC model previously, now changed to what works in schools: school health education, connecting young people to health services, and making school environments safer and more supportive. They are working together to see what is currently being done and what the gaps are. At this time, will be focusing on Peoria zip codes and youth.

Healthcare Collaborative

No update was given.

Board Business

Evaluation Presentation from Dr. Donohue

Dr. Donohue was asked by Ms. Hendrickson to do an evaluation of the CHNA and CHIP process at the end of her practicum. Dr. Donohue reviewed the information, and the presentation will be shared with the Board through email as well. She also suggested steps moving forward and ways to improve, which led the Board to a bigger discussion of timelines and how to move forward. Ms. Hendrickson added that this was to give feedback about how to move forward and realistic expectations. Partnership leadership transitions at the beginning of 2024, Ms. Aggertt will be taking on the next two years. The needs assessment which has been historically done with partnership of OSF will commence in July 2024. She stated the Partnership is to increase formalization and grow and get into budgets, work plans, and staffing or downgrade and go their own way. The other option is to sit in the middle about which entity can move things forward. On the intervention's standpoint, they are seeing things they can't move forward without funding or personnel. Ms. Fox added they need to have a discussion around maturity, freedom to act, ability to act, changing, etc.

Performance Management

This discussion point was not covered due to time.

Interventions: Barriers, Challenges, & Path Forward

Mr. Baer stated that the Obesity group has the adult and youth workgroups. On the adult side they are at a standstill, to implement a program in the community there is start up costs. For the training, it's \$500 per instructor. There are some costs for equipment and each class size has a maximum capacity of 15 participants. Mr. Baer estimates \$1200 to \$1500 per location start up cost to provide this training, however, there won't be a reoccurring cost. They also wonder if it will be large and effective enough to move the needle. Ms. Fox added that Mental Health is having similar issues as well. Ms. Bill noted that Mental Health is top down driven and that these interventions were pulled out because they worked somewhere and should still push for those interventions that were selected. This discussion continued and due to lack of time Ms. Fox and Mr. Baer noted that

the discussion should continue to the next couple of months Board meetings to figure out how to move forward.

Miscellaneous/Member Announcements

There were no Miscellaneous or Member Announcements.