



Oklahoma Health Equity Campaign (OHEC)
Partnership Meeting
March 26, 2015

Attendees:

[VC= Video Conferencing]

Martha Alford, Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH), Muskogee County Health Department, Muskogee (VC)
James Allen, OSDH, Partnership for Health Improvement, OKC
Maria Arroyo, Variety Care, OKC
Christine Benner, OSDH, Prevention and Preparedness, OKC
Amanda Bradley, OSDH, Center for Advancement of Wellness, OKC
Terry Burris, Indian Health Service (IHS), Stillwater (VC)
Katie Carden, Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OKHCA), OKC
Mary Carter, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Oklahoma (BCBS), OKC
Karolyn Chowning, Provide Inc., OKC
Tonya Coffey, BCBS, OKC
Janis Cravatt, OSDH, Center for Advancement of Wellness, OKC
Whitney Danker, Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, OKC
David Dude, American Cancer Society, OKC
Mary Daniels Dulan, Metropolitan Fair Housing Council of Oklahoma, OKC
Renier Espaina, Latino Community Development Agency (LCDA), OKC
Pat Fowler, OSDH, Bryan County Health Department, Durant (VC)
Susan Gay, Oklahoma City Area Intertribal Health Board (OCAITHB), OKC
Katie Gill Miller, Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA), Tulsa (VC)
Steve Goldman, Oklahoma Primary Care Association, OKC
Travis Hartfield, Department of Human Services (DHS), OKC
Alisha Hemani, Oklahoma City County Health Department (OCCHD), OKC
Dr. Tim Hill, Health Alliance for the Uninsured (HAU), OKC
Laura Holloway, City of Pryor, Pryor (VC)
Larry Hopper, OHEC Steering Committee Member, Central Oklahoma Transit Planning Authority (COTPA), OKC
Elton Horton, OCCAN, OKC
Gaye Humphrey, Health and Human Services (HHS), OKC
Albert Janco, OKC
Brad Jones, Arbuckle View Seventh Day Adventist Church (SDA), Ada (VC)
Susan Jones, Arbuckle View (SDA), Ada (VC)
Stephen Lalli, Carovilli Communications, OKC
Richard Marshall, Oklahoma City Housing Authority, OKC
Irene Martin, Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services (OKDRS), OKC
Valerie McCartney, St. Luke's United Methodist Church, OKC
Pam McDermott, OKC
Karla McGuire, OSDH, Health Equity & Resource Opportunities (HERO), OKC
Susan McVey, Oklahoma Department of Libraries, OKC
April Merrill, Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma, Tulsa (VC)
Thad Mock, Open Arms Clinic, OKC
Doug Moore, City of Pryor, Pryor (VC)
Marisa New, OSDH, HERO, OKC
Annie Norman, OUHSC College of Public Health, OKC
Carly Putnam, Oklahoma Policy Institute, OKC
Susan Quigley, OSDH, Prevention and Preparedness, OKC
Betsy Replogle, OKC

Cheryl Roswell, Lynn Institute, OKC
Dr. Carl Rubenstein, Interfaith Alliance of Oklahoma, OKC
Denice Ruiz, LCDA, OKC
Lindsey Sarver, OSDH, Cherokee County Health Department, Tahlequah (VC)
Connie Schlittler, DHS, OKC
Nancy Schuler, Integris Health System, OKC
Lisa Shumate, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (OUHSC) Pediatric Resident, OKC
Kari Stender, OCCHD, OKC
Anna Stuck, OSDH, Payne County Health Department, Stillwater (VC)
Darla Thompson, OSDH, Mayes County Health Department, Pryor (VC)
Cynthia Trent, Eldercare Consulting, OKC
Catherine Vass, OSDH, Okfuskee County Health Department, Shawnee (VC)
Betty Weber, OSDH, Pontotoc County Health Department, Ada (VC)
Kelly Willingham, OKHCA, OKC
Hillary Winn, OKHCA, OKC
Patricia Yarholer, OCAITHB, Shawnee (VC)

New Members: Christine Benner, Katie Carden, Karolyn Chowning, Travis Hartfield, Laura Holloway, Pam McDermott, April Merrill, Thad Mock, Annie Norman, Carly Putnam, Susan Quigley, Nancy Schuler, Lisa Shumate, Kari Stender, Cynthia Trent, Catherine Vass, Kelly Willingham,

Welcome/Introductions: Richard Marshall, OHEC Steering Committee Member

Review of 10/24/14 Meeting Minutes and current status: Minutes Approved

Update: American Planning Association, Oklahoma Chapter – Paula Dennison, President

Update: Health and Transportation Corridor Planning Framework – Larry Hopper, Central Oklahoma Transit and Planning Authority

Update: “Together for Health” Faith and Community-Based Health Summits- James Allen, OPHA and Dr. Carl Rubenstein, Interfaith Alliance of Oklahoma

[PowerPoint available upon request]

Update: “Housing and Health for the Future”: Richard Marshall, Oklahoma City Housing Authority

[PowerPoint available upon request]

Update: Health Literacy Oklahoma Projects: Marsha Johnson, Director, Miami Public Library

[PowerPoint available upon request]

Q & A

Q: Is the Oklahoma City Housing Authority going tobacco-free or smoke-free?

A: tobacco-free

Q: Who owns the Oklahoma City Housing Authority properties? Are they funded through state monies or through other funding? Where does the money come from?

A: The Oklahoma City Housing Authority is set up by state statute (the 1965 public housing law). We are federally funded and the Mayor of Oklahoma City appoints our Board of Commissioners.

Q: What is the reasoning for waiting until March of 2016 to implement the no tobacco policy?

A: It would not be fair to our residents to say you can no longer use tobacco, and if you get caught using tobacco you will be evicted. We are working with OSDH, Oklahoma City County Health Department and any other organization that will

assist us in getting our residents the tools to help them quit using tobacco.

Q. Dr. Rubenstein, in your presentation you made a nice point about people who do not have enough self-worth to feel like they deserve to be healthy. I hear this a lot while working with people during health insurance sign up. Where do you see the role of religious leaders in helping that sense of self-worth and desire to be healthy as a positive thing?

A. That is both a simple and a complicated question. Yes, they can. Some of it can be done with generalized learning and some of it will need to be done on an individualized basis. If religious leaders in a congregation recognize that an individual does not have enough self-worth that person also is at risk for other things like domestic abuse. Some of it is the right kind of education and motivation. I do not know if there is a simple answer for that. I think the faith communities can play a role in capturing something that may have been destroyed in childhood or later life that took away their self-worth.

Q. What is the six step process that Larry Hopper from Central Oklahoma Transit and Planning Authority Spoke of?

A. The six step process involves:

- Define the transportation problem and public health issues
- Identify (ID) needs for data and more, ID resources available, and ID public health priorities
- Develop transportation goals and objectives, especially ones that protect and promote public health
- Establish evaluation criteria, suggest a full range of strategies (“tactics”/policies), and consider/measure impacts on public health and other key non-transportation matters
- Develop and evaluate transportation alternatives and their public health features
- Identify most preferred transportation alternative to optimize public health

Q. When the tobacco free policy at Oklahoma City Housing Authority is implemented will there be a grace period before evicting a tenant?

A. The lease calls for a notice of violation, similar to what is given for other lease violations. The tenant will receive a 30 day notice with 14 days to correct. If they receive a notice and they stop smoking in the unit and correct it within 14 days they will be ok. If they are caught again within the 14 days, we can follow through with the notice of eviction.

Q. What resources are available to people who want to quit and how can they access those resources?

A. The primary resource is 1-800 Quit Now; this is a free service to all Oklahoman’s to quit smoking. This service provides a quit coach, patches, lozenges, or gum. With our partnership with AOA, they have offered to provide classes freedom from smoking classes if needed. There are other classes offered around the city such as My Heart classes and the Living Longer Living Stronger with Chronic Conditions classes that promote a healthy lifestyle.

Request for Announcements and Final Comments: Richard Marshall, OHEC Steering Committee Member

- Legal Aid of Oklahoma- April Merrill
“Build Health” grant application that was submitted in partnership with Tulsa Health Department was denied. The plan was to work with the health department and public housing facilities to look at the high rate of asthma and illness in children and work with the owners of that housing unit to build a healthier community. Another piece of this that was discussed was a medical legal partnership. I run a medical- legal partnership that works on social determinants of health in improving client well-being. We now have six medical-legal partnerships state wide. We would love to partner with anyone in the audience with an interest. I can be contacted at april.merrill@laok.org.

- 7th Annual Tribal Public Health Conference – Susan Gay, Oklahoma City Area Inter Tribal Health Board (OCAITHB)
Conference Dates- Pre-Conference Training is April 28th, 2015 and the Conference is April 29th & 30th. This event will be held at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Tulsa. For more information please call 405-652-9214 or register online at www.ocaithb.org. A flyer will be attached with the meeting minutes.

- Oklahoma Primary Care Association – Steve Goldman
New updates on the healthcare market place insurance:
 1. If a person had to pay a penalty in 2014 for not having health insurance, this may qualify them to enroll in 2015.
 2. There are enrollment possibilities that open up for people throughout the year with qualifying household changes. Some of these changes include.
 - Losing current health insurance
 - Children who turn 19 and age out of the SoonerCare eligibility.
 - And other qualifying events such as marriage, birth and adoption.
 Changes such as these open up a special 60 day open enrollment period.
For additional information people can call 211 for more information.
[See attached Flyer for details]

- The Oklahoma Health Equity Campaign (OHEC) will host a special meeting and seminar on April 9th, 2015 in partnership with the Metropolitan Fair Housing Council of Oklahoma, Inc. to celebrate April as Fair Housing Month.
 - **Location:** Oklahoma State Department of Health
1000 NE 10th St., Room 806
Oklahoma City, OK 73117
 - **Time:** 9:00 am to Noon**[See attached flyer for details]**

- Announcement: Thad Mock, Open Arms Clinic Executive Director
April 10th, 2015 Oklahoma Charitable Clinic Association Conference will be held at First Baptist Church of Oklahoma City, 1201 N. Robinson Ave., OKC, OK 73103. Keynote Speaker- Dr. John M. Perkins
[See attached flyer for details]

