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SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

October 17, 2019

MEETING MINUTES

12:00 p.m.

Meeting Held at: Scott County Administrative Center
600 West 4th Street – 1st Floor Board Room
Davenport, Iowa 52801

Mrs. Coiner, Chair of the Scott County Board of Health, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mrs. Coiner, Dr. Sandeman, Dr. O'Donnell, Dr. Hanson, Dr. Squire

Staff Present: Edward Rivers, Amy Thoreson, Eric Bradley, Denny Coon, Vicki Doner, Roma Taylor, Tiffany Tjepkes, Lashon Moore, Teri Arnold, Lenore Alonso, Brooke Barnes, Briana Boswell, Anna Copp, Michelle Dierickx, Carole Ferch, Ann Jepson, Heath Johnson, Leah Kroeger, Tara Marriott, Christina McDonough, Sheri Saskowski, Brenda Schwarz, Sue VanDeWalle, Maggie Wright, Carolyn Wator (Intern)

Others Present: Tony Knobbe, Ken Beck, Brinson Kinzer, Mahesh Sharma, Mary Thee, David Farmer, Diane Martens, Randy Mayer, Biz McChesney, Mary Hightower, Steve Orton, Matt Enright, Ashley Mlekush, Dennis Platt, Kim Brown

Mrs. Coiner called for a motion to accept the agenda. Dr. Hanson moved to accept the agenda. Motion seconded by Dr. Squire. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coiner called for a motion to accept the minutes. Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion seconded by Dr. Hanson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coiner noted that the meeting was the annual joint meeting of the Board of Health and Board of Supervisors and thanked the supervisors for their support. The Board of Supervisors were invited to speak.

Tony Knobbe thanked the Board of Health for its service, and stated that he is very proud of the Health Department. He noted his work with Live Lead Free QC has enabled him to work closely with Health Department staff.

Ken Beck stated that the Board of Health is invited to attend Board of Supervisor meetings, and congratulated the board and department on accreditation.

Mrs. Coiner recognized Mahesh Sharma, Mary Thee, and David Farmer as also in attendance.

The following reports were reviewed and discussed by the Board:

A. Director's Report

Mr. Rivers recognized the following employees for their years of service with the department.

• Monica Nickels, Laboratory Technician	1 year	October 22
• Katie DeLaRosa, Medical Assistant	3 years	October 3
• Leah Kroeger, I-Smile™ Coordinator	3 years	October 31
• Carole Ferch,, I-Smile™ Silver Coordinator	3 years	October 31
• Michelle Dierickx, Office Assistant	6 years	October 28
• Brenda Schwarz, Senior Office Assistant	10 years	October 27
• Tammy Loussaert, Environmental Health Specialist	29 years	October 1

Mr. Rivers noted that another cockroach migration had been noted, this time in Davenport. This issue was more quickly resolved through owner action.

A partnership with HyVee, providing nutrition education to children impacted by lead poisoning was highlighted.

B. Mrs. Coiner moved to the Public Health Activity Report for the month of September.

C. Mrs. Coiner moved to the Budget Report for the month of September 2019.

Following discussion, Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Dr. Sandeman. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Mrs. Coiner moved to the Scott County Kids Report.

Diane Martens reported DECAT has hired staff who will be trained as a Mental Health First Aid facilitator.

E. Mrs. Coiner moved to the Title V, Local Public Health Services and Tobacco Use Prevention Program Report.

Tiffany Tjepkes reported that October is the start of a new Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health grant year. Tobacco grant staff are gathering information from conference calls and monitoring vaping illness reports. Illnesses have been reported in every state but Alaska. To date, there have been no deaths reported in the state of Iowa. Tobacco Free QC has produced a vaping resource guide for parent and others.

Dr. Hanson asked if we are required to meet a specified number of services this year for the Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health grant. Ms. Tjepkes shared that staff will aim for the same numbers as this past grant year, but there were no specific contract requirements.

Dr. Sandeman asked whether vaping is allowed on high school campuses. The Iowa Smoke free Air Act does not address vaping, but districts may choose to strengthen policies. Dr. Hanson asked if policies apply to athletic events. Where policies exist, they are a campus-wide ban. Mrs. Coiner noted that tobacco-free park policies are still being sought. Ms. McDonough noted that work continues, but Davenport, Bettendorf, and Eldridge still do not have policies.

F. Mrs. Coiner moved to the Public Health Preparedness Program Report.

Denny Coon shared that a Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) certified facilities exercise is scheduled for October 23rd. They are expecting twenty-five to thirty agencies to participate. It was also reported that meetings have begun on the consolidation of preparedness Service Areas 5A and 5B. Effective July 1, 2020, the coalition will be known as Service Area 5.

G. Mrs. Coiner moved to the Health Department Strategic Plan Report.

Mr. Rivers noted that strategic planning sessions are underway for the 2019-2022 Scott County Health Department strategic plan. This section will not be in the board books until a new plan is in place.

H. Mrs. Coiner moved to Board of Health Orientation.

Mrs. Coiner introduced Randy Mayer, Bureau Chief of the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) HIV, STD, and Hepatitis; and Medical Cannabidiol. He presented on the proposed Syringe Services Program planned by IDPH. Mr. Mayer first reported the incidence of HIV and hepatitis in Iowa. Iowa was not one of the jurisdictions chosen in a federal plan to end HIV. Future expansions may include Iowa, so IDPH is planning for that possibility. IDPH is promoting pre-exposure prophylaxis, or PREP.

Syringe services programs are being encouraged by the federal government. Iowa does not have such a program. Mr. Mayer recounted the experience of Scott County, Indiana, where an HIV outbreak occurred. IDPH ranked counties in Iowa at risk for an HIV outbreak. Scott County, Iowa ranked number 10 of 99.

Mr. Mayer explained how syringe services programs work, how they help prevent disease, and how they cooperate with law enforcement agencies. IDPH will be working with the legislature to advise lawmakers on moving forward with the syringe services bill, which was introduced last session, and remains active and able to be acted upon in the 2020 session.

Dr. Sandeman asked if the bill would be reintroduced. Mr. Mayer noted that the bill was still active and could be acted upon, changed, or tabled.

Dr. Hanson asked how Illinois compared to Iowa. Mayer noted that Illinois has a syringe services program. Mr. Mayer did not have information on incidence of HIV in Illinois. He noted that the legislature would like to hear from local jurisdictions.

Dr. O'Donnell took exception to Mr. Mayer's usage of the term "epidemic". At 3200 cases among three million people, Dr. O'Donnell felt the use was inaccurate. She also asked about current funding and if the syringe services program would reduce the amount of funding for established programs. Mr. Mayer stated that syringe services would be added to the deliverables of existing contracts with departments already in place. Dr. O'Donnell asked what would not get funding as a result and whether treatment services for HIV would be reduced. Mr. Mayer stated that each contract year would see an analysis of what programs were needed, and whether a local department desired to operate syringe services program. A

discussion was had about what services were provided. Mr. Mayer stated that the programs do not provide treatment for HIV so no treatment programs would be affected.

Dr. O'Donnell asked whether the number of HIV infections in Iowa included those who acquired it elsewhere. Mr. Mayer noted that wherever HIV was acquired, those living in Iowa who are infected must be managed. The goal of syringe services programs is to reduce the number of future infections.

Dr. Hanson asked what precipitated the Scott County, Indiana outbreak. Mr. Mayer noted that a change in the formulation of an opioid program required injecting the product, increasing risk. The lack of testing sites, drug treatment programs, and HIV specialists compounded the problem. It was noted that economic depression also contributes to the problem.

Mr. Mayer listed the programs in Iowa that IDPH funds. Scott County provides services in surrounding counties as well.

Mrs. Coiner thanked Mr. Mayer for his information. Dr. Squire noted that Quad City Harm Reduction, a local group working on the problem, had worked with the board in the past. He asked that Mr. Mayer's presentation be made available to that group.

Mrs. Coiner called for a motion to accept the reports. Dr. Hanson moved to approve the reports. Motions seconded by Dr. Squire. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coiner moved to Public Comment. There were no comments.

Mrs. Coiner moved to Unfinished Business. There were no comments.

Mrs. Coiner moved to New Business.

Eric Bradley reported on the development of a Scott County tanning ordinance, since IDPH has removed tanning inspections from the 28E Agreement because of funding to support the program at the state level. At a prior meeting, the board had directed the development of a local ordinance. Fees were discussed, and input from the board regarding an age restriction was solicited. After discussion, the board proposed that no tanning be allowed for those under 16, and in person, parental consent must be provided for those 16 and 17 years of age. Such consent must be provided on an annual basis. The ordinance will be presented and voted on at a future BOH meeting.

Roma Taylor provided an update to the proposed service area for the HIV grant application. Under the current contract, the department provides services to Scott, Clinton, Des Moines (Burlington), and Muscatine counties. The department will not be including Clinton County in the application this year. Hillcrest, which is located in Dubuque, contacted staff and expressed an interest in applying to provide the needed services to that area. This is a change from what was presented last month.

Following discussion, Dr. Hanson moved to approve and authorize the signature of the Eastern Iowa Community Colleges Nursing Program Cooperating Agency Agreement to provide clinical experience for nursing students. Motion seconded by Dr. Sandeman. Motion carried unanimously.

Following discussion, Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve and authorize the Staff Education Requests. Motion seconded by Dr. Sandeman. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be on November 21, 2019, in the Boardroom on 1st floor.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Arnold, Recording Secretary