



CHAC Meeting

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Committee Members Present: Yvette Alexander-Maxie (American Red Cross); Susan Brady (Community Member- North); Lynn Guibourdanche (Advocate Lutheran General Hospital); Lena Hatchett (Loyola University); Amanda Kelley (American Heart Association); Terry Mason (CCDPH); James McCalister (Village of Arlington Heights); Wendell Mosby (Prairie State Community College); Dolores Nobles-Knight (Community Member - South); Mary Passaglia (Northwest Municipal Conference/Health Directors); Ronald Sherman (Community Member - West); Evonda Thomas-Smith (Evanston Health and Human Services Department); Steve Weiler (Forest Park Police Department).

Committee Members Present by Phone: None

Committee Members Absent: Edwin Chandrasekar (Asian Health Coalition); Catherine Counard (Village of Skokie); Jenny Epstein (EverThrive Illinois); Christopher Grunow (Stickney Public Health District); Jennifer Hebert-Beine (UIC School of Public Health); Mark Klaisner (West 40 ISC); Diane Logsdon (Logsdon Consultation Services); Jessica Madrigal (Community Member); Maria Oquendo-Scharneck (AgeOptions); Itedal Shalabi (Arab American Family Services); Armando Smith (Housing Forward); Apostle Carl White (Southland Ministerial Health Network).

CCDPH staff present: James Bloyd, Deanna Durica, Percy Harris, Kiran Joshi, Rachel Rubin, Stephen Seweryn, Valerie Webb.

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Terry Mason, CHAC Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:16 and asked for introductions of participants.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment provided.

III. Approval of Minutes – July 14, 2015 and April 7, 2015

Minutes from both meetings were reviewed by members. Changes to both the April and July meeting minutes included a correction of Evanston Health and Human Services Department from Evanston Health Department. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Evonda Thomas-Smith and seconded by Wendell Mosby with all in favor.

IV. Items for Discussion

A. Health Equity Framework and Tool

James Bloyd reviewed the W.H.O. Social Determinants Framework and the Framework and Practices to Advance Health Equity at the Cook County Department of Public Health. He highlighted practice models, including the Stream of Health, with an emphasis on drivers of quality and distribution of resources. Jim led a large group Q/A discussion on structural determinants of health, using the Child Opportunity Index (a compilation of educational, health, environmental, social and economic opportunity indicators). Many of the indicators in the Index are determined by structural determinants, i.e., policies that set education financing



and housing, causing unequal opportunity. More on the Child Opportunity Index is available from www.diversitydatakids.org.

B. WePLAN Vision

Steven Seweryn updated the progress of the Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan, WePLAN2020, including the timeline and the four health assessments on which the health priorities for the next five years will be based.

Assessment 1: The Local Public Health System Assessment (LPHSA) was conducted on September 1st and included 70 attendees representing diverse agency and community affiliations. Participants discussed and scored how well the public health system (not solely the health department) was providing the 10 Essential Public Health Services. Both quantitative and qualitative data will be compiled and a summary report developed identifying the strengths and weaknesses in the public health system.

Assessment 2: The Forces of Change Assessment (FOCA) was conducted in June and July with 26 people representing a diversity of constituents and organizations with knowledge of the social determinants of health. Participants met in focus groups for in-depth conversations about the recent occurrences in the region and what drives or hinders community health. Data will be analyzed and compiled in a summary report.

Assessment 3: The Community Themes & Strengths Assessment (CTSA) is an online and paper-based health survey conducted with panelists and community residents. Extensive outreach was conducted to reach residents from all geographic, economic and racial/ethnic groups. Additionally, work in partnership with sister agencies yielded completed surveys from community health center patients and low-income public housing residents. A summary and report on resident’s perceptions of conditions that support and hinder health status will be available in mid-November.

Assessment 4: The Community Health Status Assessment (CHSA) is an extensive compilation of health indicators which will be available by geography, race/ethnicity, age, gender. These data will be compiled and presented to the planning group in November.

Dr. Seweryn led a review of the existing vision and values statements for WePLAN, and solicited feedback for improvements. The Vision from WePLAN2015 reads: *A public health system that provides equitable, coordinated, and comprehensive primary prevention strategies in an environment that supports healthy living for Suburban Cook County residents and organizations in an enduring way.* CHAC members were then asked to consider two questions. The following summarizes the participant responses:

Question	Responses		Questions/Suggestions
What words or phrases speak to me in the vision statement?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizations as opposed to residents, • equity, coordinated, enduring, comprehensive • primary prevention strategies: primary as a tier/more than one level • healthy living, • support as opposed to provide 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do we define organizations? • Make the public health system more understandable: organizations, individuals, activities, community. • Clarification is needed that the public health system is not just public but includes financed medical care.
What seems right and what doesn't in the vision statement?	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equitable • Enduring and sustainable • Conditions/ structures that support health 	<p><u>Negative</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unclear how residents will inform the work • Where's the power of community/ resiliency? Need to assess community needs and what is working for them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy communities instead of organizations • Move towards self-advocacy and empowering communities • Add “whole community” concept acknowledging that more than one sector affects change • Add resiliency , shared empowerment • Add a measure/standard of quality – goal • Add a stronger word than enduring



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not a shared vision with the community • “Enduring” is vague • Healthy living has individual focus, doesn’t convey equity and population health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add “a system that provides and advocates for....”ensure the system includes residents and not just health department or health care system - community system or societal system • Flip order - put community first to emphasize value
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Similarly, the participants reviewed the current Values or operating principles: *Equity; Prevention; Collaboration*. Participants supported Equity and Collaboration and suggested “encourage” or “promote” primary prevention with an emphasis on a holistic level of health including physical, mental and social well-being.

C. CHAC membership

CHAC members unanimously endorsed Yvette Alexander-Maxie as Co-Chair of the CHAC and a motion for approval was made by Evonda Thomas-Smith and seconded by James McCalister with all in favor.

V. CCDPH Updates

A. COO Report

1. Location changes – WIC and Communicable Disease Unit

Dr. Mason reported on relocation of WIC services from the Markham Court Building to the Robbins Ambulatory Clinic and the consolidation of the Communicable Disease staff from Oak Forest Health Center (OFHC) to the CCDPH Forest Park office. Dr. Mason spoke of the recent information concerning demolishing buildings at OFHC and the impact on CCDPH staff. The timeline is not known but a suitable location for all CCDPH personnel is being pursued.

2. Changes in Flu vaccine provision

Dr. Mason reported that CCDPH will no longer order and distribute flu vaccine for community partners to administer. Citing the small numbers of requests and the availability of vaccine at numerous pharmacies, CCDPH will discontinue ordering vaccine after this year.

3. CCDPH HR Update

Dr. Mason reported that 49 positions remain open. CCDPH was saddened by the sudden death of Dr. Barbara Fisli, Director of Integrated Health Support Services. Debbie Brooks is now serving in that capacity. Additionally, Sean McDermott, Director of Policy and Communications retired and Deanna Durica is currently serving as interim in this position.

4. Legislative Update

Dr. Mason reported that there was little good news as the state is still without a budget and Appropriation bills are stuck in state offices. Dr. Mason expressed gratitude to Cook County government for subsidizing our work in anticipation of state reimbursement. Dr. Mason referred to the Northern Illinois Public Health Consortium (NIPHC) legislative brief to build support for SB2178 and HB4311 to release \$17m in Local Health Protection funding for local health department services.

Dr. Mason expressed appreciation to the CHAC members for their participation that better informs CCDPH’s work. Thanks were expressed to Apostle White for his leadership as Co-Chair and for the work he continues to do to help those in need.

5. Healthy HotSpot initiative (HHS)



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Members were encouraged to provide feedback on the draft version of the Healthy HotSpot fliers. Members asked about the number of hits to the HHS website which will be reported on next meeting. Dr. Lena Hatchett described one of the Healthy HotSpot initiatives conducted by the Maywood partnership, Proviso Partners for Health. The Giving Garden, a youth-driven initiative, engages youth in growing and selling healthy foods. Lena also described a presentation to be made at the American Public Health Association (APHA) in early November on a food recognition study conducted in Maywood and Markham. Lena was asked to report at the next meeting on findings of the food recognition study and how it relates to food policy.

VI. New Business

- A. Next meeting –Monday, January 11, 2016, 10:00am – 12:00pm.

- VII. Meeting Adjourned: Lynn Guibourdanche moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 and was seconded by Amanda Kelley.

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