

Meeting Minutes
Ottawa County Human Services Coordinating Council
May 23, 2007
9:30 a.m.
Juvenile Detention Services Conference Room

Attending: Andrea Mulder, OCHSCC Administrative Coordinator
Pat VerDuin, Family Court
Lisa Stefanovsky, Ottawa County Health Department
Janet DeYoung, Community Foundation of Holland/Zeeland Area
Joel Dye, City of Holland
Michael VandenBerg, Good Samaritan Center
Patrick Moran, Greater Ottawa County United Way
Steve Eckert, Lakeshore Nonprofit Alliance
Bill Robb, MSU Extension Services
Bud Ferguson, Ottawa Area Intermediate School District
Bill Raymond, Community Action Agency/MI Works
Ron Frantz, County Prosecutor
Loren Snippe, Department of Human Services (DHS)

Absent: Gail Ringelberg, North Ottawa County Council on Aging; Ann Tabor, Grand Haven Area Community Foundation

Guests: Marcia Knol, Ottawa County Health Department Smoke-Free Indoor Air Regulation initiative; Karen Youngs Hartley, Executive Director/Lakeshore Coordinating Council.

- I. Smoke-Free Indoor Air Regulation in Ottawa County – Marcia Knol
- Overview by Marcia regarding smoking in Ottawa County (2007 study):
 - 12% of the population smokes in Ottawa County (so 88% of the population does not smoke in Ottawa County). At the state level the rate is 21.9 % of the population smokes and at the national level it is 20.9% of the population smokes.
 - Fact/conclusive data: there is *no* measurable level of second hand smoke one can be exposed to *without* risk.
 - Two initiatives in place from the Ottawa County Health Department: (1) Voluntary Smoke-Free Restaurants in Ottawa County and (2) a regulation eliminating smoking in public and private worksites and public places, not including bars and restaurants. Overview of each by Marcia, including handouts.

ACTION ITEM: Request by Lisa Stefanovsky for endorsement from the OCHSCC for the regulation eliminating smoking in public and private worksites and public places, not including bars and restaurants, as written. Motion from Steve Eckert to endorse support for the regulation named above as written. Supported by Bill Robb. Discussion ensued.

Vote: Yea Votes: VerDuin, Stefanovsky, DeYoung, Dye, Moran, Eckert, Robb, Ferguson, Raymond, Frantz, Snippe.

Nay Votes: VandenBerg

Information: the passed motion for support of the above named regulation will be reported at the next meeting of the Ottawa County Health and Human Services Committee with a recommendation to take it to the full Board of Commissioners for a vote.

- II. United Way Community Assessment Update – Patrick Moran (see handout)
 - Update will continue as an OCHSCC agenda item.
 - The steering committee meets on June 15.
 - The steering committee will publish what they are going to track and look at.
 - Plans to roll out the questionnaire in February, 2008.

- III. Business
 - A. Financial Report: Loren reported that effective immediately there will be a 25% cut in previously reported funding for Strong Families/Safe Children. Funding cuts for next year have also been announced. Specifically agencies such as Arbor Circle, Bethany Respite Contract, Catholic Social Services and 2-1-1 will see funding cuts as a result of this announcement.
 - B. Workgroup Updates:
 - 1. Access to Health Services
 - a. PA2 Funding: an explanation of what State funding “PA2” means, what services may be impacted if PA2 funds are reduced or eliminated.
 - b. RWJF Grant: Access to Health Services Taskforce is collaborating to pursue a grant opportunity offered by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. It will target providing services to the under and uninsured mildly to moderately mentally ill in Ottawa County. Support in writing this grant will be provided by the Ottawa County Planning and Grants department.
 - c. Meeting with Service Providers: Lisa reported on the recent meeting of health service providers. Next meeting is June 5. The service providers are unanimous in their efforts to support developing and implementing a system within Ottawa County to provide mental health care for the mild to moderately challenged mentally ill that provides systemic follow-up care after visits to emergency rooms, jail or the juvenile detention center.
 - d. CMH Block Grant: the previously discussed Block Grant opportunity will not be pursued. Community Mental Health has named an interim director: Jerry Homminga. Pat will contact him to invite him to both the OCHSCC meetings and the Access to Health Services Taskforce.

- IV. Other Announcements:
 - A. 2-1-1 has posted their available resources on-line.
 - B. The Holland/Zeeland Community Foundation has 94 community leaders/members signed up for their June 7 community meeting to identify their five specific planning objectives.
 - C. Lisa and Pat, along with Commissioner Joyce Kortman will be attending a County Commissioner workshop/leadership institute June 18-20 (they were awarded two scholarships to attend this institute).

- V. Lakeshore Coordinating Council: Handout and presentation/review by Karen Youngs Hartley (Executive Director) of the LCC service area, program functions,

program services, funding mandates and program parameters in their charge to provide substance abuse treatment services.

There was no further business.

Next meeting date: June 27, 2007, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. in Conference Room D, Fillmore Administrative Complex.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail VanVels, Administrative Secretary