

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Approved Minutes

DATE: February 5, 2003

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Fillmore Street Complex

PRESENT: Cornelius Vander Kam, Joyce Kortman, Cynthia Visscher, Edward Berghorst, Jane Ruiter

STAFF & GUESTS: Jim Szejda, Environmental Health Director; Cathy Simons, MI Works!/CAA; Dr. Paul Heidel, Health Director; Gerry Cyranowski, Mental Health Director; Loren Snippe, FIA Director; Karen Youngs-Hartley, Lakeshore Coordinating Council; Lisa Stefanovsky, Health Department; Vito Palazzolo, Health Officer; Sherri Sayles, Deputy Clerk; Media

SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

Approve by consent the minutes of the January 22, 2003, meeting as presented and approve by consent the agenda of today as presented and amended to move Discussion Item #2 - Education Plan on West Nile Virus as the first item on the agenda.

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEM

2. Education Plan on West Nile Virus - A power point presentation was presented by Dr. Heidel on the West Nile Virus. 46 counties have tested positive in Michigan. In 2002, ten cases were reported in Ottawa County with two deaths occurring. There is no cure at this time but two or three companies are working on a vaccine. The 2003 Action Plan is Surveillance, Education, Community Involvement, Assist County, Townships and Cities and Regional Planning and Cooperation. Jim Szejda spoke briefly on surveillance and Lisa Stefanovsky spoke briefly on educating the general public and health care providers. Vito Palazzolo will provide a written format on the Action Plan at next month's Health and Human Services Committee.

SUBJECT: OTTAWA COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

HHS 03-003 Motion: To forward the applications of Claudia Berry, Lori Varner, and Keri McCarthy as candidates for three positions on the Ottawa County Workforce Development Board for three year terms beginning January 1, 2003, and ending December 31, 2005, representing the Employer Sector.

Moved by: Kortman Supported by: Berghorst UNANIMOUS

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MICHIGAN OFFICE
OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

HHS 03-004 Motion: To recommend to the Board of Commissioners that the Board support the resolution to reconstitute the Michigan Office of Substance Abuse Services in accordance with Public Act 368, 1978 Article 6, Part 61 and to allocate funding to treatment and prevention of substance abuse.

Moved by: Berghorst Supported by: Ruitter

HHS 03-005 Motion: To table Motion HHS 03-004 until next meeting.

Moved by: Vander Kam Supported by: Ruitter UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Committee Goals for 2003 - The following are possible issues to look at in 2003:

- Meeting the needs of children

- Look at an overview of substance abuse and how each agency is involved. - Look at Board goals and how they relate to this committee and design work around them.

- Quality of Life Indicators.

Committee to look at a combined presentation between the Health Department, CMH, FIA, LCC, and Jail/Sheriff Department on substance abuse at next month's meeting. Mark Knudsen to make presentation at the April meeting on the progress of the Health Indicators Booklet.

3. Human Services Coordinating Council January Minutes - Vito Palazzolo presented the Human Services Coordinating Council January Minutes.

4. Department Reports -

CMH - Gerry Cyranowski reported there is a new State director which will result in many changes. CMH has had \$600,000 in cuts the last couple of months. The State is rewriting the Chapter Three Manual (Medicaid manual) which defines the day programs.

FIA - Loren Snippe reported there is a significant number of new employees at FIA. FIA is waiting to here where the budget cuts will be but they are expecting significant reductions.

LCC - Karen Youngs-Hartley reports budget cuts also.

MI Works! - CAA - Cathy Simons reported CAA is anticipating cuts as most of their funds are federal. Next Thursday, February 13th, there is a Chili Cook-off for CAA. The cost is \$5.00.

Health Department - Vito Palazzolo reported the Health Department cut \$115,000 out of

their budget on January 15th. He reported there are over 400 participants involved in the Prescription Drug Program. 150 participants were surveyed and are satisfied with the program and that it meets their needs.

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon.