

## Sampson County Health Department Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2019

**Members Present:** Dr. Jeffrey Bell, Paul Bradshaw, Dr. Elizabeth Bryan, Robert Butler, Linda Heath, Jacqueline Howard, Chair; Linda Peterson, Dr. Beth Turner.

Health Department Staff present: Wanda Robinson, Sally DeMay, Perry Solice, Kelly Parrish and Annie Fennell.

Administration Present: Edward Causey and Joe Starling.

**I. Call to Order:**

Jacqueline Howard call meeting to order and turned the meeting over to Wanda Robinson.

**II. Election of Chair of Advisory Board:**

Wanda Robinson opened the floor for nominations from the board for Chair. Linda Heath nominated Jacqueline Howard for Chair. No other nominations were received. Jacqueline Howard stated she would accept Chair. Motion made for Jacqueline Howard to remain Chair of the SCHD Advisory Board made by Linda Heath and seconded by Dr. Jeffrey Bell. All in favor. Motion carried.

Wanda Robinson turned the meeting back over to the re-elected Chair Jacqueline Howard.

**III. Election of Vice Chair:**

Jacqueline Howard opened floor for nominations from the board for Vice-Chair. Paul Bradshaw nominated Robert Butler. No further nominations. Robert Butler accepted the nomination. Motion made by Paul Bradshaw to accept Robert Butler as Vice Chair, seconded by Dr. Jeffrey Bell. All in favor. Motion carried.

**IV. Invocation:**

Paul Bradshaw gave Invocation.

**V. Approval of minutes:**

Motion made by Paul Bradshaw to accept the November 19, 2018 minutes as written, seconded by Robert Butler. All in favor. Motion carried.

**VI. Financial:**

**a. Approval of fees:**

Wanda Robinson presented LabCorp Fee revised fee for Drug Alcohol Screenings. Linda Heath asked for explanation of how the Reflex testing occurs. Wanda explained if the Ethanol Test was positive, then the Ethanol Reflex testing would be performed to verify results. Current Fee for Ethanol Testing is \$64.10 and has been reduced to \$24.00. The Ethanol Reflex testing fee is \$35.00 current and will not be changed. Wanda asked for approval from the Advisory Committee and then will be presented to the County Commissioners as the Board of Health.

Motion made to accept the revised LabCorp Fee for CPT code G0478 and new LabCorp Fee for CPT code 478R made by Linda Heath, seconded by Dr. Jeffrey Bell. All in favor. Motion carried.

Wanda Robinson spoke of LabCorp does single testing and bundled lab testing. Lab test are requested by a specific test code and not necessarily a CPT code. When the CPT code is pulled to be entered on the encounter fee, this sometimes causes the fee to be skewed from a panel to an individual bases. We have two new providers, OB-GYN and Nurse Practitioner that are starting to request testing that health department has not done traditionally in the past. Approval requested of the committee to be allowed to add and use the Lab Code and fee at the time the service is needed and bring the new code and fee to the next committee meeting for approval.

Motion to allow new codes and fees to be added as needed; new codes and fees to be brought to the next committee meeting after adding; and to add New Code OL001- Anemia Profile B for Fee Schedule made by Linda Peterson, seconded by Paul Bradshaw. All in favor. Motion carried.

**b. Approval of Maternal Health and Child Health Mini Grant:**

This is a one-time Mini Grant. Sampson County is in the top 20 counties with high Infant Mortality Rate. Mini Grant will be used to purchase desktop computers for Front Desk, Eligibility and Lab staff to replace computers purchased in 2015.

Motion made by Robert Butler to accept the \$20,757 Maternal Health and Child Health Mini Grant; seconded by Dr. Jeffrey Bell. All in favor. Motion carried.

**c. Rural Health Grant:**

Wanda spoke of the three year Rural Health Grant. Report of data collected is submitted each year of the grant and have requested the \$150,000.00 for the next year. Kelly compiled the data for the report and we had reached the maximum number for the patients to equal the amount of uncompensated care that we are providing at the health department.

**d. Financial Report:**

Wanda Robinson reviewed the handout; numbers are down in places, but good considering that we are down one full-time practitioner and three nursing positions, Adult Health, Family Planning and CD/TB. Environmental Health had a surge in inspections due to 100% inspection goal that was met in December.

Wanda reviewed the handout on Medicaid reimbursement and local revenues. Also reviewed the FY17-18 full fiscal year Medicaid Revenues and Local Revenues.

**VII. Communicable Disease Report:**

Kelly Parrish gave report on the Communicable Disease Report 2018. Discussed the use of the NC Electronic Data Disease System that is used to collect data from other providers and to collect reports of communicable disease in Sampson County. This system is checked daily. Kelly reviewed handout comparing results from year 2017 and 2018. Noted increases in Campylobacter Infection and Salmonellosis. Hepatitis C has increased in the last two years due to more providers are testing and reporting the results. Overall total of Communicable diseases has increased from 104 to 135 cases in 2018.

TB had a decrease in those cases for 2018. An increase in Influenza deaths as well as increase in Sexually Transmitted Diseases. Chlamydia and Gonorrhea increased with total cases increased from 506 to 603 in 2018.

The health department tested 30 patients for Hepatitis C and 5 tested positive. The health department saw a total of 874 STD visits during calendar year 2018. Of these visits 158 were positive for Chlamydia and 116 positive for Gonorrhea.

Motion made by Paul Bradshaw to accept the Communicable Disease report as presented, seconded by Dr. Jeffrey Bell. All in favor. Motion carried.

**VIII. State of the County Health Report 2018:**

Wanda Robinson reported that this was the final State of the County Health Report for 2018. There were a few minor changes to the report since presented in October. State of the County Health Report 2018 will be presented to County Commissioners as Board of Health at February 4, 2019 meeting.

**IX. Health Directors Report:**

**a. Mosquito Abatement Funds:**

September awarded approximately \$95,000 for mosquito abatement, returned about \$20,000 to the state that was not able to be spent due to a deadline change from the state. Sampson County has been offered \$73,184 more funding for mosquito abatement again. The issues with accepting these funds at this time: would need to do surveillance and set traps, training, and spraying and is not mosquito season at this time. These funds would have to be spent by May 31, 2019, which is not possible. Wanda spoke that to have a Mosquito Abatement Program in place would take about \$200,00 to 230,000 per year and would require funding from other sources. Recommendation from Wanda is to not accept this funding. Discussion of possibilities ways of ways to spend the money. Decided this was not enough money to aerial spray the whole county and would cause issues with spraying only certain areas of the county.

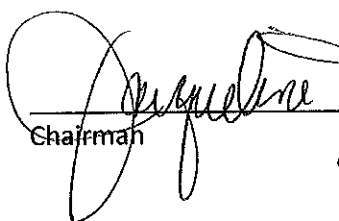
Motion made by Robert Butler to not accept the \$73,184 funding for mosquito abatement. Seconding by Dr. Elizabeth Bryan. All in favor. Motion carried.

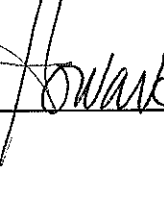
**b. Medicaid Fee Schedule:**

New Practitioners and providers are adding new CPT codes to our fee schedule. Handout of 2 pages from the Medicaid Fee Schedule Reimbursement -there are several more pages of this Medicaid Fee Schedule Reimbursement. These are allowed fees are for Health Departments to be reimbursed. We will be bringing the new CPT codes to be added as we come across them in providing services.

X. **Public Comment:**  
No public comment.

XI. **Adjournment:**  
Motion to adjourn made by Robert Butler and seconded by Dr. Jeffrey Bell. All in favor.  
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

  
Chairman

 3/18/19  
Date

  
Secretary

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