# SCHD Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes March 15, 2021

**Attendance:** Dr. Jeffrey Bell-Chair, Elizabeth Bryan, Yire Hernandez, Jacqueline Howard, Leitha Lee, Robert Butler

**Health & Administration:** Wanda Robinson, Martina Copeland, Tamra Jones, Perry Solice, Kelly Parrish, Ed Causey, Joel Starling.

## I. Call to Order:

Jeffrey Bell, Chair called meeting to order.

#### II. Invocation:

Jacqueline Howard gave invocation.

## III. Approval of Minutes:

- a. January 25, 2021:
- b. January 27, 2021-Dangerous Dog Minutes:

## IV. COVID-19 Update:

NC is currently seeing a downward trend in COVID cases as well as hospitalizations. Based on the county system, last updated March 4<sup>th</sup>, Sampson County is in the critical or red tier for percent of positive cases. Our 14-day case rate per 100,000 was 606 which made our percent positive rate 11.4%. In reviewing the data, this data reflects a surge of cases in one of outbreak facilities, we do not feel this indicates an increase of spread throughout the community. As of today at noon our dashboard for updated by our NCDHHS our percent positivity rate is 6.5% while North Carolina positivity rate is 5.2%.

#### **Demographics of COVID cases:**

62% white 21% Black or African American 79% Non-Hispanic

#### **COVID Deaths**

66% White 25% Black or African American 92% Non-Hispanic

March 19<sup>th</sup> will be our 1-year anniversary where we discovered our first case in Sampson County.

# Vaccines:

- -Group 4 will be eligible March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021- see Deeper Dive Document for Group 4.
- -SCHD hosts weekly drive-thru events to accommodate our citizens to become vaccinated.
- -SCHD has administered over 10,000 vaccines and celebrated this milestone today.
- -The entire county has administered approximately 17,500 vaccines.

-Highlight: Our Hispanic recipient percentage vaccinated jumped from 3.45% last week to 7.8% this week. That is a 4.35% increase in just a week due to the population targeted at UHS last week. Almost half of those vaccinated were Hispanic which is part of the Historically Marginalized Population (HMP) that we were targeting. Our CCNC staff did a wonderful job reaching out to the Hispanic community thus helping us achieve that goal!

## V. Financial:

- a. 2021-2022 Budget
- b. Fee Schedule Update
- c. COVID-19 Funding
- VI. CD Report 2020:

Kelly reviewed Communicable Disease Report 2020 (see attached)

- VII. Health Director's Report:
- VIII. Public Comment:
- IX. Adjournment:

Dr. Jeffrey Bell, Chair adjourned meeting due to not enough members to have a quorum. One member dropped of zoom meeting.

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