

**North Country Health Consortium
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2016
Littleton, NH
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

Present: Charlie Cotton, Jonathan Brown, Nancy Bishop, Kristy Letendre, Kristina Fjeld-Sparks, Karen Woods, Russ Keene, Margo Sullivan, Pauline Tibbets,
Phone: Ken Gordon, Sharon Beaty
Staff: Nancy Frank, Colleen Gingue

Consent Agenda

- June 10, 2016 board meeting minutes
- May and June 2016 Financials
- Executive Director Update

Jonathan Brown made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; Russ Keene seconded the motion. Motion passed

Motions Regarding Pecuniary Notices

Sharon Beaty (CEO of Mid-State Health Center), disconnected from the meeting. Russ Keene made the following motion; Jonathan Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed. Sharon re-joined the meeting

Motion to approve the North Country Health Consortium's Agreement with Mid-State Health Center for provision of services for the Quality Improvement Program. The Agreement provides for the provision of services in an amount not to exceed \$8,000 for Fiscal Year 2016.

Ed Shanshala (CEO of Ammonoosuc Community Health Services), was not present at the meeting. Nancy Bishop made the following motion; Kristina Fjeld-Sparks seconded the motion. Motion passed

Motion to approve the North Country Health Consortium's Agreement with Ammonoosuc Community Health Services for provision of services for the Quality Improvement Program. The Agreement provides for the provision of services in an amount not to exceed \$8,000 for Fiscal Year 2016.

Ken Gordon (CEO of Coos County Family Health Services), disconnected from the meeting. Jonathan Brown made the following motion; Russ Keene seconded the motion. Motion passed. Ken re-joined the meeting.

Motion to approve the North Country Health Consortium's Agreement with Coos County Family Health Services for provision of services for the Quality Improvement Program. The Agreement provides for the provision of services in an amount not to exceed \$8,000 for Fiscal Year 2016.

Jonathan Brown (CEO of Indian Stream Health Center), left the room. Kristina Fjeld-Sparks made the following motion; Nancy Bishop seconded the motion. Motion passed. Jonathan re-joined the meeting.

Motion to approve the North Country Health Consortium's Agreement with Indian Stream Health Center for provision of services for the Quality Improvement Program. The Agreement provides for the provision of services in an amount not to exceed \$8,000 for Fiscal Year 2016.

Karen Woods (Administrative Director, Cottage Hospital), left the room. Russ Keene made the following motion; Kristy Letendre seconded the motion. Motion passed. Karen re-joined the meeting.

Motion to approve the North Country Health Consortium's Agreement with Cottage Hospital/Rowe Health Center for provision of services for the Quality Improvement Program. The Agreement provides for the provision of services in an amount not to exceed \$4,000 for Fiscal Year 2016.

AIM ACO Update/Hospital Affiliation/CCO Update

The AIM ACO is up and running and holding quarterly board meetings. All four of the hospitals have hired new presidents. Mike Peterson is at Androscoggin Valley Hospital (AVH), Scott Colby will begin at Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital (UCVH), Michael Lee at Weeks (WMC), and Littleton Regional Healthcare (LRH) has hired an interim president while they continue their search to fill the permanent position. All participating organizations in the CCO (AVH, UCVH, WMC, LRH, Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Coos County Family Health, and Indian Stream Health Center) have agreed to sign the CCO Operating Agreement. The Agreement will allow the CCO to begin moving forward with negotiating as an entity with commercial insurers.

By-Laws/Pecuniary Benefit Law Follow-Up

- a. The By-Laws Committee met to review the By-Laws and recommended review by an attorney. Nancy Frank consulted with an attorney at Devine Millimet who provided review and revisions. Once the Committee meets again to review and determine recommendations for language regarding the section pertaining to "Founding Organizations" the By-Laws will be brought back to the full board for approval.
- b. Nancy Frank and Ed Shanshala had a phone consultation with strategists at the firm of Devine Millimet. They are drafting a proposal regarding strategies/process to change the pecuniary benefit law and Nancy will report back at next Board meeting.

Conflict of Interest Policy

A revised Conflict of Interest Policy was presented and discussed. Recommendations for changes were made by attorneys at Devine Millimet.

Russ Keene made a motion to approve the revised Conflict of Interest Policy; Kristy Letendre seconded the motion. Motion passed.

NCHC Staff and Program Updates

Program/Grant Updates:

1. NH DHHS Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services – Student Assistant Program; We will have 3 separate contracts:
 - a. \$105,000 for one year – continued work with Lisbon High School, Woodsville High School, White Mountains Regional, Groveton, Gorham
 - b. \$200,000 over two years to begin work with Berlin High School and North Country Charter Academy
 - c. \$200,000 over two years to begin work with White Mountains Community College
2. NH DHHS – Building Community Health Worker Capacity to Improve Chronic Disease Prevention and Management. Contract awarded for \$280,000 over two years

NCHC Staff Update

1. Jennifer Frenette has been hired as Program Manager in the workforce development and education program area;
2. Jill Gregoire has been hired as a Practice Facilitator for the Practice Transformation Network program
3. April Allin has been hired on a short-term contract to assist with development of the 1115 Waiver IDN project plan;
4. Margo Sullivan has been hired and will begin work in September as a Practice Facilitator for the Practice Transformation Network program

NCHC continues to recruit for Practice Facilitators, and will soon be recruiting for Community Health Workers and staff in the Substance Misuse Prevention program area.

Region 7 Integrated Delivery Network – 1115 Medicaid Waiver

The next meeting of all IDN members is scheduled for September 11th at the Highland Center. An ad hoc group met to discuss the IDN Governance Structure. The recommendation for the Governance Structure will be presented to the full group on the 11th. All IDN contracts are expected to be reviewed by Governor and Council on August 24th.

NCHC Annual Meeting

The Board confirmed that the Annual Meeting will be held Monday November 14th, not on Friday the 11th which is NCHC regular Board meeting day but also Veteran’s Day.

**Next Meeting: Friday September 9, 2016
8:30 – 10:30 Littleton, NH**

Jonathan Brown made a motion to adjourn; Nancy Bishop seconded. Meeting adjourned 10:15 a.m.

Board Attendance-2015 - 2016

Directors	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Aug	Sep	Oct
Sharon Beaty	Ab	√	Ab	√	√	√		√	√		
Nancy Bishop	√	√	Ab	√	Ab	√		√	√		
Jonathan	√	√	Ab	√	√	√		√	√		

Brown											
Elaine Bussey*	√	√	Ab	√	√	N/A		N/A			
Gail Clark	Ab	Ab	√	√	√	√		√	Ab		
Charlie Cotton	√	√	√	√	√	√		√	√		
Kristina Fjeld-Sparks	√	√	√	Ab	√	Ab		√	√		
Ken Gordon	√	√	√	Ab	√	√		√	√		
Scott Howe	Ab	Ab	Ab	√	Ab	Ab		Ab	Ab		
Russell Keene	Ab	Ab	Ab	√	√	√		Ab	√		
Kristy Letendre	√	√	Ab	√	Ab	√		√	√		
Roxie Severance	√	Ab	√	√	Ab	√		√	Ab		
Ed Shanshala	√	√	√	√	√	√		Ab	Ab		
Margo Sullivan	Ab	√	Ab	√	Ab	Ab		√	√		
Warren West	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab		Ab	Ab		
Karen Woods	√	√	Ab	√	Ab	√		√	√		