

**North Country Health Consortium
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2013
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Littleton, NH**

Present: Scott Howe, Adele Woods, Jane MacKay, Gail Clark, Ed Shanshala, Tony Poekert, Nancy Bishop, Roxie Severance,

Phone: Alisa Druzba, Margo Sullivan, Elaine Bussey

Absent: Charlie White, Sharon, Beaty, Rob Darling, Russell Keene, Rosemary Orgren, Marie Ryan, Lucille Tremblay

Staff: Nancy Frank, Colleen Gingue

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda included:

- January 11, 2013 board meeting minutes
- December 2102 financials
- Executive Director's Update

Jane MacKay made a motion to approve the consent agenda; Tony Poekert seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Grants Update

STOP Act Grant

Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking Act Grant is similar to the grant we have had previously. It is for \$50,000 each year for four years.

Adele Woods made a motion to move forward with the proposal; Ed Shanshala seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Child Care Health Consultation

The state RFP is for a two month contract to develop a training to expand Child Care Health Consultation. Nancy Frank suggested that there is not a lot of time to write the grant or to fulfill the contract. *The board supported NOT applying for this grant.*

Public Health Region/Regional Prevention Network

This RFP combines the 2 state contracts we have had in the past. The proposal will include the public health network, the regional prevention network, DBHRT, and the school-based influenza clinics. Total possible funding will be \$226,380 each year for two years.

Adele Woods made a motion to respond to the RFP; Tony Poekert seconded the motion. Motion passed. Alisa Druzba abstained.

Nancy Frank presented information about the option of applying for the public health region/regional prevention network grant for Carroll County. Jane MacKay recused herself from the discussion and left the room. Carroll County is part of our AHEC region and we have some relationships in the area.

Adele Woods made a motion to move forward with the Carroll County proposal if staff decides it is the right time and if there is support in the area; Ed Shanshala seconded the motion. Motion passed. Alisa Druzba abstained.

Primary Care Workforce Development Grant Program Update

Nancy Frank provided an update on the Live, Learn, Play in Northern New Hampshire program. We are in the third and final year of the grant which will end in August. At this point we have 21 students that have been accepted into the program this year. We have our first medical student from the University of Maryland. He found our program on-line and is at Mid-State Health Center. Great experience for the student, the preceptor, and the program.

The Primary Care Workforce Commission and the NH AHEC program are working together to explore the possibility of developing a statewide system to match preceptor sites and health professions students. Several academic institutions have already met. The next step is to have two preceptor meetings – one in the north and one in the south. We will be organizing the meeting in the north.

Molar Express Update

Nancy Frank provided a brief Molar Express update. So far this school year, Molar Express has had 426 patient visits. The van and portable equipment have provided far more flexibility and the smaller equipment has been well received by the schools. In conjunction with our evaluators at Dartmouth, we are creating an evaluation for young children receiving services utilizing an iPad. We believe we are on the cutting edge of evaluation!

New Member Application-Grafton County Senior Citizens Council

Ed Shanshala made a motion to approve the application from the Grafton County Senior Citizens Council; Tony Poekert seconded the motion. Motion passed.

North Country ACO Update

Ed provided a brief update. The ACO is waiting for UNH to clean up the data from CMS so they can generate reports. The health centers are preparing to submit quality measure data on the 411 randomly chosen Medicare beneficiaries that are required each year.

Other Business

Change in April board meeting date

Both Roxie and Nancy will be away for the April board meeting. Nancy will send out a Survey Monkey to confirm a new date.

Alisa Druzba

Alisa stated that state employees are no longer allowed to be paid members of organizations that compete for state funds. Therefore, Alisa resigned from the Board of Directors. On behalf of the board, Roxie accepted the resignation with regret. Alisa hopes to continue to be involved with NCHC on behalf of the state office of rural health. The board will consider options for including the state office of rural health. Ed asked that she send the state's written policy excluding her from participation on the board.

Substance Abuse/Misuse education session for providers in Colebrook

In partnership with the Colebrook Community Action Team, NCHC is planning a safe-prescribing workshop for health care providers.

Gail Clark made a motion to adjourn; Ed Shanshala seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:30.

Next meeting March 8, 2013, 8:30 – 10:30, Littleton, NH

Board Attendance-2012 - 2013

Directors	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Aug	Sep	Oct
Sharon Beaty	Ab	√	Ab	Ab							
Nancy Bishop	√	√	√	√							
Elaine Bussey	Ab	√	√	√							
Gail Clark	√	n/a	√	√							
Rob Darling	√	√	Ab	Ab							
Alisa Druzba	Ab	√	√	√							
Scott Howe	n/a	Ab	√	√							
Russell Keene	Ab	Ab	√								
Jane MacKay	√	√	√	√							
Rosemary Orgren	√	√	√	Ab							
Tony Poekert	√	Ab	√	√							
Maria Ryan	n/a	√	√	Ab							
Roxie Severance	√	√	Ab	√							
Ed Shanshala	√	√	√	√							
Margo Sullivan	Ab	√	√	√							
Lucille Tremblay	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab							
Warren West	n/a	√	n/a	n/a							
Charlie White	√	Ab	√	Ab							
Adele Woods	Ab	√	Ab	√							