

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

Present: Rosemary Orgren, Elaine Bussey, Adele Woods, Jane MacKay, Gail Clark, Nancy Bishop, Roxie Severance, Sharon Beaty

Phone: Margo Sullivan

Absent: Rob Darling, Scott Howe, Russ Keene, Tony Poekert Maria Ryan, Ed Shanshala, Lucille Tremblay, Warren West, Charlie White

Staff: Nancy Frank, Colleen Gingue

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda included:

- April 23, 2013 board meeting minutes
- March 2013 Financials
- Executive Director's Update

Adele Woods made a motion to approve the consent agenda; Nancy Bishop seconded the motion. Motion passed

Grants/Funding Updates

Oral Health Collaboration

NCHC/Molar Express is part of a statewide federally-funded initiative with the State Office of Oral Health, Bi-State Primary Care Association, Mid-State Health Center, Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, and others, focused on increasing access to oral health care, and enhancing recruitment and retention of dentists to our underserved areas. NCHC will receive funding for additional portable equipment and consultation for our dental hygienist.

Navigator FOA

There is an opportunity from CMS to receive funding for Navigator services related to the new health insurance Marketplace and Exchanges that will be implemented as a result of the Affordable Care Act. Bi-State has solicited their members to be part of their proposal. There will be \$600,000 available for the state, and at least two organizations will be awarded funding. If NCHC participates in Bi-State's proposal, we would like to coordinate the efforts in the North Country. A decision to submit our own proposal will depend on negotiations with Bi-State.

Rural Health Outreach Grant

NCHC was told that the second year funding of our Rural Health Outreach Grant would be delayed due to sequestration. The grant period begins May 1st. We have now been told the funding has been approved and we will not experience the 2-3 month delay that had been discussed.

Rosemary Orgren Board Replacement

Rosemary Orgren is retiring and resigned from the Board of Directors. She recommended Kristina Fjeld-Sparks, who will become the Center Director of the NH AHEC Program, to take her place.

Adele Woods made a motion to accept Rosemary's resignation with regret and nominated Kristina Fjeld-Sparks to replace Rosemary for the remainder of her term; Sharon Beaty seconded the motion. Motion passed.

North Country ACO Update

Nancy Frank and Sharon Beaty will be attending a national Shared Savings Program ACO meeting in Washington on May 21st. There have been numerous data challenges working with CMS. The claims feed data from CMS has been delayed. The ACO will be reviewing and analyzing emergency room data and working on quality initiatives to reduce ER visits.

Other Business

- NCHC is holding the 2nd Annual Health Improvement Summit on June 18th at the Highland Center.
- Bob Thompson received the first NH Prevention Professional of the Year Award
- Mid-State Health Center has been honored as Business of the Year

Strategic Planning Session

Notes from the Strategic Planning Session will be distributed separately.

The next board meeting will be a member meeting on June 14, 2013. Alisa Druzba from the State Office of Rural Health and Primary Care will be the speaker.

Nancy will poll the board to determine when the summer board meeting will be – either July 12th or August 9th.

Margo Sullivan made a motion to adjourn; Nancy Bishop seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned 10:30 a.m.

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	√	√	Ab				
Alisa Druzba	Ab	√	√	√	n/a	n/a	n/a				
Scott Howe	n/a	Ab	√	√	Ab	√	Ab				
Russell Keene	Ab	Ab	√	Ab	Ab	√	Ab				
Jane MacKay	√	√	√	√	√	Ab	√				
Rosemary Orgren	√	√	√	Ab	Ab	√	√				
Tony Poekert	√	Ab	√	√	√	√	Ab				
Maria Ryan	n/a	√	√	Ab	n/a	√	Ab				
Roxie Severance	√	√	Ab	√	√	√	√				
Ed Shanshala	√	√	√	√	√	Ab	Ab				
Margo Sullivan	Ab	√	√	√	Ab	Ab	√				
Lucille Tremblay	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab				
Warren West	n/a	√	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				

Charlie White	√	Ab	√	Ab	√	Ab	Ab				
Adele Woods	Ab	√	Ab	√	√	√	√				