# MINUTES OF THE

# **SANTA FE COUNTY**

# **HEALTH POLICY & PLANNING COMMISSION**

# November 7, 2014

# Santa Fe, New Mexico

This regular meeting of the Santa Fe County Health Policy & Planning Commission (HPPC) was called to order by Chair Judith Williams at approximately 9:00 a.m. on the above-cited date at County Community Services Department Conference Room, 2052 Galisteo Street, Suite B. A quorum was achieved with the following members present:

#### **Members Present:**

Judith Williams, Chair John Abrams Shirlee Davidson [telephonically] Vivian Heye Bonnie Keene

Catherine Kinney
Don Reece

Carolyn Roberts Reena Szczepanski

# Member(s) Absent: Bryan Conkling

AnnaMaria Cardenalli (excused)

# **County Staff Present:**

Rachel O'Connor, Director, Community Services Department Patricia Boies, Health Services Division Director Katie Schwartz, RN, Mobile Health Van Kyra Ochoa, Health Care Assistance Stacy Byard, Adult Detention Re-entry Specialist Erin Ortigoza, Santa Fe County Planning

#### **Others Present:**

Robin Hunn, Santa Fe Project Access
Shelly Cohen, Live Smoke Free Santa Fe
Shelley Mann-Lev, Santa Fe Prevention Alliance
Ron Hale, NM Alliance of Health Councils
Amy Sandoval, DOH
Lynn Walters, Cooking with Kids, Inc.
Micaela Fisher, Thornburg Foundation
Betty Sisneros Schroder, NAMI Santa Fe
Martha Cooke, NAMI Santa Fe
Kristen Carmichael, CSV

### III. Introductions

Those present introduced themselves.

# IV. Approval of Agenda

Upon motion by Commissioner Reece and second by Commissioner Keene the agenda was unanimously approved as published.

#### V. Approval of Minutes – October 3, 2014

Commissioner Reece moved for approval as presented. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Keene and passed unanimously.

## VI. Matters of Public Concern

Chair Williams invited Project Coordinator of Live Smoke Free Santa Fe Shelly Cohen to provide an update on the program. Ms. Cohen reported that all the City and County public housing is smoke free. Site visits are conducted and residents are provided information on cessation programs. She provided a summary of recent activities and pointed out that former HPPC commissioners George Gamble and James Bond are serving on their advisory council.

Ms. Cohen demonstrated the effects of smoke with the aid of a doll house emphasizing "third-hand smoke" which is what is in the curtains, rugs, etc. She reported on Smoke Free Housing Day which raises the awareness of secondhand smoke.

Ms. Cohen said 40.7 percent of Santa Fe County high school students have been in a room with someone smoking within the past seven days, 10 percent less than the results reported in 2011.

Shelley Mann-Lev, a member of the advisory council and a project director, said last year the City sponsored the first Smoke Free Housing Day and she encouraged the County to cosponsor 2015's event.

#### VII. Presentations

Ms. Boies said the Food Policy Council is a joint City/County body. Erin Ortigoza was the coordinator of the project and has recently been hired by the County as a community planner. *Planning for Santa Fe's Food Future - Querencia, A Story of Food, Farming and Friends* was recently presented to and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners.

Ms. Ortigoza said the documents represented over three years of assessment, outreach, research and critical thinking around this complex issue. In 2012 the Santa Fe Food Policy Council completed a countywide food assessment that looked at the challenges and opportunity areas as well as realities of those facing food insecurity, food quality and hunger. That served as the foundation for the outreach program in 2013. In 2014 outreach occurred farther into the County – Pojoaque, Edgewood – where more issues were identified. The food plan will serve to build momentum and align the different efforts throughout the County.

Ms. Ortigoza said the research conducted by the Food Council was founded on several City and County adopted policy documents. The plan, considered a living document, is divided into three main sections: getting food, learning about food, and growing food. Each section contains general goals and leverage point/action items which identify critical next steps.

Ms. O'Connor recognized and congratulated the Food Policy Council on the plan, saying it was concise, professional and a nice product.

Commissioner Kinney agreed and particularly appreciated the goal summaries. She asked about funding. Ms. Ortigoza said under every action item there is a list of potential partners that may be able to provide resources.

Commissioner Kinney asked whether there were measurable outcomes that the Food Policy Council would be tracking over time. Ms. Ortigoza noted that the scope of the document does not contain measurables but she envisioned another level of analysis containing tracking and measurables to show progress.

Commissioner Szczepanski asked whether the Food Policy Council has taken a formal position in response to the potential work requirements for SNAP (food stamp) recipients. Ms. Ortigoza said they have not. A discussion ensued regarding this issue.

Getting fresh food to local schools is a complex, ongoing issue. Ms. Ortigoza said there are Food Policy Council members working in procurement for local schools and institutions.

# B. Thornburg Foundation's Food Initiative

Micaela Fisher, Policy Officer, Food and Agriculture, Thornburg Foundation, said the Foundation is a private family foundation that has existed for six years although only making strategic giving the last few years. Strategic giving is defined as giving to groups that seek to influence non-partisan statewide policy. The foundation focuses on three programmatic areas: 1) early childhood education, 2) money, politics and campaign reform, and 3) food and agriculture. She has been with the Foundation six months.

Ms. Fisher said she will be developing a strategic five-year plan for giving within the food and agriculture sectors. The topics within food and agriculture include: 1) ranch profitability and rangeland health in New Mexico, 2) ability of schools to serve affordable, healthy school lunches, and 3) work with other funders to ascertain how giving can be more strategic to make a greater impact. The funders participating in this include foundations, NM Department of Agriculture, NMSU, UNM, and USDA. The strategic plan, once drafted will be presented for public input and a final plan developed for the funding committee to plan their giving.

She was receptive to comments and offered her email micaela@thornburgfoundation.org.

Ms. Fisher said her colleague, Carmen Lopez, heads the money, politics and campaign reform sector which is moving quickly with the collaboration of Common Cause. New Mexico is one of the few states without a legislature ethics committee and has low level transparency and reporting laws in regards to lobbying money.

Ms. Fisher said Thornburg is an \$88 million foundation and has disbursement obligations that must be met annually to retain private charity tax status which is 5 percent. The three strategic areas plus the Garrett Thornburg and Catherine Oppenheimer's general community giving is approximately \$5 million annually. The strategic initiatives are all New Mexico initiatives.

Ms. O'Connor encouraged Ms. Fisher to stay engaged with the County and share any ideas where they can impact food policy.

#### C. Christus St. Vincent Community Benefits Awards

Kristen Carmichael, Director of Community Health, CSV, provided her employment background which included eight years at Esperanza Shelter for Battered Families. She has a great deal of experience with domestic violence and issues of addiction and behavioral health. CSV Community Health oversees the Sobering Center, HUGS (High Utilizers Group Services), community benefit funding and liaisons with different community initiatives that CSV wants to be involved in.

Commissioner Kinney asked about the funding sources for community benefit program and Ms. Carmichael responded stating the funding this year will be aligned with the Christus Health Funding with a January 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. She said CSV wants to make it easier for providers to coordinate with Christus Health. The hospital donates about \$1 million to local non-profits annually. This year they funded 22 organizations. Christus Health donates approximately \$200,000 annually.

Ms. Carmichael outlined the funding criteria to meet a critical health need as identified in the *Community Health Needs Assessment*. The evaluation process was made up of two review panels (behavior health and physical health) that developed recommendations to CSV's board of directors. Those funded were within early childhood, child/adolescent health, adult health, adult behavioral health, women's health, and senior care.

She mentioned that CSV is following a results-based accountability framework which has improved the providers' accountability. A workshop is planned in December.

Chair Williams said it would be helpful to have the funding amounts that were granted to the 22 organizations.

Commissioner Kinney recommended that CSV consider alignment with the measurement and reporting level that Santa Fe County was requiring from providers.

## VIII. Matters from the Commission and Staff

## A. Mobile Health Van Report

Katie Schwartz, Mobile Health Van Nurse, distributed the van's schedule and statistics for October 2014. The van collaborated with CSV's behavioral health department in May and October recognizing Depression and Mental Health Awareness Months at the Santa Fe

Community College. Screenings were offered for depression, and treatment and referrals were provided. In October, anxiety screening was added.

Ms. Schwartz discussed the Mobile Health Clinics Association Conference she attended in Georgia where the Mobile Health Map Project was presented. The project is being developed with the Association and Harvard and provides a means to monitor the health of populations who visit health vans across the US; Santa Fe is part of that project.

The statistics of the van services were reviewed. She attributed the sharp patient increase to the free flu shot clinics and acknowledged DOH's assistance in this effort.

Ms. Schwartz shared some anecdotes that have occurred with the patients on the van. Santa Fe Community College nursing students have come on the van for some of their clinical rotations.

Van locations were discussed and Stanley/Galisteo was mentioned as an area that may need additional visits.

Betty Sisneros Schroder, NAMI Santa Fe, thanked Ms. Schwartz for reaching out to NAMI.

Commissioner Davidson lauded Ms. Schwartz for operationalizing the vision of the van, organizing an advisory board and creating relationships with the patients in the County.

## B. Report from County Corrections on Medicaid Enrollment and Narcan

Stacy Byard, Adult Detention Re-entry Specialist, said her role includes assisting inmates in accessing healthcare and facilitating overdose prevention with Narcan. 100 individuals have been enrolled in Medicaid. She completed the presumptive eligibility determiner training in August and is able to grant presumptive eligibility Medicaid on the date of release. She said approximately 67 percent of the people coming into the facility have some form of health insurance.

There has been very little interest in the Narcan program at the facility. To date, 25 kits have been given out. Staff is taking a look at the program to perhaps offer incentives to those who use the opiate kick kit. She said there is a heightened risk of overdoses 48 hours following release and staff would like to get Narcan to the high risk individuals.

Ms. O'Connor said the enrollment numbers were impressive. She mentioned that HSD recently made a presentation to the legislature on the Santa Fe County Narcan program referring to it as HSD Pilot Project. Recently, the Association of Counties gave the HSD presentation. Other counties are interested in the presumptive eligibility project and Santa Fe County will discuss it with them. She said while the Narcan program is taking off slowly, Ms. Byard is recognized as the community contact.

- A. Update on Health Action Plan
- B. Director's Report

Commissioner Kinney recommended that in the future, one or two health action plan topics be placed on the agenda with upfront notice to the Commissioner to provide a prepared report.

Commissioner Heye said she and Commissioner Roberts have reviewed indicators around youth and Jim Davis' report on overdose deaths. The indicators may require modification.

#### Increase Enrollment of Residents in Health Insurance

- The County received a grant from the New Mexico Association of Counties and will run Spanish radio PSAs to encourage enrollment during the NMHIX open enrollment period beginning November 15
- By county, Medicaid and exchange enrollment figures were distributed Santa Fe County is leading the state
- Enrollment efforts will expand to Teen Court and DWI participants

Robin Hunn, Santa Fe Project Access, reviewed the Medicaid enrollment report by county for September 2014 noting some of the materials is taken from census data. The data shows that the Medicaid enrollment has been stellar and the focus for this year should be the NMHIX population where there are a great many challenges with affordability at the lead. The enrollment team met and will coordinate to have a major event December 6<sup>th</sup> at Christus with all the partners. Information will be posted on the Exchange website calendar.

Stating she was not permitted to advise the inmates, Ms. Byard requested additional information on the MCOs. Ms. O'Connor requested adding Ms. Byard to the group mailing list.

Ms. Hunn said the Exchange is developing a toolkit that will contain information on each of the health plans.

Chair Williams said she and Ms. Boies met with Jay Jolly, the new CEO of La Familia, to support their continued role in the community to extend greater than primary care and include outreach and the work conducted under the CDC grant. She said he appeared receptive. There is also a new board chair.

Ms. O'Connor provided an update on the mobile crisis program. The RFP was released to create a mobile crisis team and there were no responders. There was an issue with the lack of diversity in the funding stream. A discussion with the County Manager has made it possible to include along with the Health Care Assistance funding other monies not restricted to indigent. The basic scope of work remains the same and the RFP will be reissued.

Ms. O'Connor introduced the two new hires in the Community Services Department: Kyra Ochoa, who will work on the Healthcare Assistance Program and the targeted *Health* 

Action Plan priorities. Ms. Ochoa provided her professional history and said she was pleased to be with the County.

Ms. O'Connor introduced Anna Bransford, hired within the Community Operations Division that oversees satellite offices, community centers, library funding and the County fair. Ms. Bransford said she was happy to be with the County.

Regarding the La Familia Buprenorphine (Subutex/Suboxone) Program, Ms. O'Connor reported that are 63 patients enrolled, seven of which are men, along with 21 newborns.

#### C. Other Matters from the Commission

Commissioner Reece suggested the HPPC participate in the New Mexico branch of the American Public Health Association and present this group's work. Ms. Boies said typically she or someone from staff attends NM Public Health Association meetings but the County has not been invited to present. Ms. O'Connor said she registered for the conference.

Commissioner Keene said she will be meeting with Wendy Johnson to discuss low birth weight babies and asked that Ms. Ochoa attend.

# IX. Future Agenda Items

None were developed

## XI. Announcements

A. Next HPPC meeting Friday, December 5, 2014, 9 a.m., 2052 Galisteo St.

# XII. Adjournment

This meeting was declared adjourned at approximately 11:15 a.m.

Approved by:

Judith Williams, Chair

Health Policy & Planning Commission

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Karen Farrell, Wordswork



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