

The Fayette County Board of Health met on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 in the Public Meeting Room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

Board of Health Members Present:

David Barlow
Thomas Faulkner, MD
Vanessa Fleisch
Lynette Peterson
Lyn Redwood
Michael Strain, MD

Staff Members Present:

Glenda Bryant, RN, MN, FNP
Merle Crowe, BA, CCFO
Dennis Davenport, Attorney
Robert Kurbes

District Members Present:

David Ajiya, MD
Duane Fields
Debbi Heard
Olugbenga Obasanjo, MD
Caroline Powers RD LD
Brigid Smith

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Strain called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM January 14, 2014: Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Ms. Peterson, seconded by Dr. Faulkner. The minutes were unanimously approved.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ PUBLIC COMMENT:

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (EH) FEE PROPOSAL UPDATE: Mr. Kurbes reported that the final fee schedule had been approved by the county and would go into effect this December, when the billing cycle began.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

STAFF REPORTS: Women, Infants and Children (WIC): Ms. Caroline Powers gave the board a report on WIC numbers (attachment #1). She said the WIC caseload remained about 1600 participants, and that there were now fourteen vendors accepting WIC vouchers in Fayette County. She reviewed the breakdown of participant numbers. She was pleased to report that participants were now able to go online and receive nutritional training with several new modules, which would make the counseling easier for clients. She said that the public could visit the site as a guest. She mentioned that WIC vouchers for milk would soon change to 1%

milk instead of 2%, because research had shown that children would benefit from reduced fat milk. Children up to age one could still get whole milk, but that policy is under review as well, to determine the best option for children. She said she had recently hired one part-time clerk.

Nursing Report: Ms. Bryant reviewed staff activities for the previous quarter. She said that staff had participated in a Point of Distribution (POD) exercise at Grace Evangelical Church on April 17 with partners the *Real Life Center* and Emergency Preparedness staff from the district; that church distributes food to needy families every month and does an excellent job. She said that all staff had the opportunity to practice distribution of pretend medicine and that hands on experience such as the POD was very good training for all staff members. She invited board members to Fayette County Health Department's first *Back to School Expo* on August 2, 2014 from 9:00 to 1:00 PM (attachment #2). Organizations set to participate include Fayette County Health Department, Fayette County Board of Education, Fayette FACTOR, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, and various food and activity vendors. The focus will be on getting low income, uninsured or underinsured children ready for school: immunizations and other required health checks would be done at low or no cost. She reminded the board that the *Hope for a Day Walk* was set for September and that she was signed up to walk, and was still seeking others to sign up. Each participant must raise \$500 each to walk. She said that sixteen women from Fayette County benefited from funds from that program. State funding usually runs out at the end of the year, so those funds help fill that gap. She said that the Fayette Health Department Quarterly Staff meeting was set for August 19, 2014 at the health department, it was pot-luck and all board members were invited. She mentioned the ongoing health needs assessment for Fayette County; the focus group felt that the biggest needs were the lack of public transportation and the need for a central clearing point for residents to find services they might need. She said that she was working with DFCS in the effort to determine the most pressing needs for the community. She said it was felt that maybe a link to services could be put on the Fayette County government website to assist residents to find available services, or at least to provide a place to begin their search. In reply to a question from the previous meeting, Ms. Bryant said that the Centers for Disease (CDC) Milestones were indeed being used in the health department in WIC.

Environmental Health (EH): Mr. Kurbes said recent retiree Jeff Kilgore had been added to his staff as a trainer to assist new staff with getting their certifications. He said Jeff had extensive knowledge of the county, had actually written some of the sewage procedures and his help was proving invaluable. Mr. Kilgore's help had meant that the turnaround for permit requests had been reduced from six to two weeks. He said that sewage system failures were down, probably due to the weather; which helped reduce the permit backlog as well. He mentioned ongoing training for Kamilah Carter, the newest EH specialist, but said that getting classes scheduled remained a problem due to the reduced class schedule. He said that the employee from Lamar County Health Department was still coming every week, and his help had enabled the restaurant inspection backlog to be reduced. He said that interviews had been held to fill the open EH I and clerk positions, and that it was hoped to start one or both of those new hires by August first. He said that the *Experience Works*

part time help had been discontinued due to the extensive oversight that was needed. He formally thanked the board for approving the two new positions.

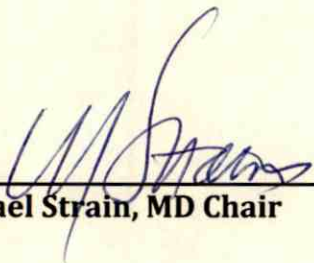
Financial: Ms. Brigid Smith updated the board on the current fiscal position of the health department. She said that Fayette County Health Department (FCHD) had finished Fiscal Year 2014 in much better financial position than at the end of the previous three years; overall revenue was up more than \$207,000. She said that the Fiscal Year 2014 budget did not require the use of current year fees, and that the Fiscal Year 2015 budget was built the same way, using three revenue streams: Grant-in-Aid (GIA), County Participating, and fees, which was the best fiscal way to operate. She mentioned that additional GIA of more than \$8000.00 was received after the April BOH meeting, making a budget revision necessary; which Dr. Strain had signed. The extra funds were sent down from a contingency fund that the state maintains in order to deal with emergencies; those funds would be distributed at year end if not needed.

District 4/Public Health: Dr. Obasanjo introduced Dr. David Ajayi from Emory University. He said that Dr. Ajiyah was a preventive medicine resident who would be working with the District for the next two years. He said that the district website was in process of being upgraded, and that Ms. Crowe would be in charge of that website. He said that there would be a page for each county in the district. He mentioned that Cassie Sager would finish her stint with the district and would then go to a position at the CDC, much to his regret, as she had worked very hard on the Fayette needs assessment. He hoped that assessment would be a big part of the accreditation process. He said he hoped to get someone else on board to work with Cassie before she leaves. He reminded the board of the March 13-14, 2015 Georgia Public Health Association (GPHA) conference, and encouraged them to attend, and that they would be sent the online link. He commended Mr. Barlow for his attendance at the 2014 conference, as well as Mr. Barlow's attendance at the District IV Wellness Day meeting. He invited the board to attend the next Wellness Day, set for January 16, 2015, most likely to be held in the same location. Mr. Barlow said he felt board members should attend the Wellness Day event, to pay respect to those staff members who are on the front line daily. Regarding the water fluoridation question, Dr. Obasanjo said there was a conference call right after the meeting to address that question which had been brought up by Fayette County Board of Commissioners (BOC). He said that Glenda and he would confer with the CDC for guidance and provide the information to the BOC once it is received. Dr. Obasanjo also mentioned that the board might receive questions about Title X funding that had not been awarded to the state of Georgia for the forthcoming year, but instead had gone to a private provider. He assured the board that lack of Title X funding would have minimal effect on revenue, if any effect at all. He said that the Title X program's requirements were very cumbersome and intensive. He said that the district staff had done research and found that in other cases where Title X funding had been removed revenue actually went up, and other state funding was not affected. In reply to a question regarding a possible influx of immigrants and the possibility of new disease being brought in by illegal immigrants, he said he could speak to the process because he had been through that process as an immigrant, as well as a physician. He said it was a comprehensive process that screens for many infectious diseases; that Fayette County would probably be affected little if at all, and that the hype about disease being brought in was just that: hype. He did express concern

about tuberculosis (TB), but said the screening process was extensive and that disease(s) would be caught and treated if found.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ms. Sonia Rochester asked if illegal alien children would be tested for disease upon entering the county, and Dr. Obasanjo replied that the normal process would be followed, and consent to test would be required for children.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Peterson, seconded by Ms. Redwood. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 AM.



Michael Strain, MD Chair



Submitted by: Merle Crowe, BA, CCFO

FAYETTE COUNTY WIC PROGRAM

300 Lee Street
Fayetteville, Georgia 30214
1-866-636-7942

Hours of Operation: Monday- Friday - 8:00AM TO 5:00PM, Closed 12-1 Friday for Lunch

Regional WIC Manager: Caroline M Powers, RD, LD
Cell Phone Number: 706-594-9324

TOTAL CASELOAD	WIC TYPE	ETHNICITY	MOST COMMON RISK FACTORS	FIRST TRIMESTER PRENATAL ENROLLMENT	NUMBER OF WIC VENDORS/ \$\$ CASHED	STAFFING
April	April	April	April	April	April	
<u>Issued</u> 1606	<u>Prenatal</u> 119 (7.4%)	<u>White</u> 364 (22.7%)	<u>Prenatal</u> -Overweight	<u>1st Trimester</u> 38.9% (7/18)	<u>Vendors</u> 14	1 FT WIC CLERK 1 PT WIC Clerk
<u>Total Enrolled</u> 1862	<u>Non BF</u> 107 (6.7%)	<u>Black</u> 583 (36.3%)	<u>Non BF</u> -Overweight	*State goal: 60%	<u>\$ Cashed</u> \$102, 742.55	1 FT WIC NUTRITIONIST 1 PT WIC Nutritionist
	<u>Breastfeeding</u> 124 (7.7%)	<u>Hispanic</u> 524 (32.6%)	<u>Breastfeeding</u> -Overweight			
	<u>Infants</u> 385 (24.0%)	<u>Nat American</u> 4 (0.2%)	<u>Infants</u> -Infant of a WIC eligible woman -Inappropriate Nutr Practices			1 PT PEER COUNSELOR
	<u>Children</u> 871 (54.2%)	<u>Asian</u> 39 (2.4%)				
		<u>Multiracial</u> 92 (5.7%)	<u>Children</u> -Inappropriate Nutr Practices -Anemia			

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May	May	May	May	May	May	
<u>Issued</u> 1663	<u>Prenatal</u> 137 (8.2%)	<u>White</u> 367 (22.1%)	<u>Prenatal</u> -Overweight	<u>1st Trimester</u> 37.5% (6/16)	<u>Vendors</u> 14	1 FT WIC CLERK 1 PT WIC Clerk
<u>Total Enrolled</u> 1944	<u>Non BF</u> 101 (6.1%)	<u>Black</u> 626 (37.6%)	<u>Non BF</u> -Overweight	*State goal: 60%	<u>\$ Cashed</u> \$98, 132.65	1 FT WIC NUTRITIONIST
	<u>Breastfeeding</u> 134 (8.1%)	<u>Hispanic</u> 536 (32.2%)	<u>Breastfeeding</u> -Overweight			1 PT WIC Nutritionist
	<u>Infants</u> 414 (24.9%)	<u>Nat American</u> 4 (0.2%)	<u>Infants</u> -Infant of a WIC eligible woman			1 PT PEER COUNSELOR
	<u>Children</u> 877 (52.7%)	<u>Asian</u> 35 (2.1%)	-Inappropriate Nutr Practices			
		<u>Multiracial</u> 95 (5.7%)	<u>Children</u> -Inappropriate Nutr Practices			

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June	June	June	June	June	June	
<u>Issued</u> 1638	<u>Prenatal</u> 134 (8.2%)	<u>White</u> 370 (22.6%)	<u>Prenatal</u> -Overweight	<u>1st Trimester</u> 44.0% (11/25)	<u>Vendors</u> 14	1 FT WIC CLERK 1 PT WIC Clerk
<u>Total Enrolled</u> 1992	<u>Non BF</u> 100 (6.1%)	<u>Black</u> 613 (37.4%)	<u>Non BF</u> -Overweight	*State goal: 60%	<u>\$ Cashed</u> \$94, 030.48	1 FT WIC NUTRITIONIST
	<u>Breastfeeding</u> 143 (8.7%)	<u>Hispanic</u> 523 (31.9%)	<u>Breastfeeding</u> -Overweight			1 PT WIC Nutritionist
	<u>Infants</u> 411 (25.1%)	<u>Nat American</u> 3 (0.2%)	<u>Infants</u> -Infant of a WIC eligible woman -Inappropriate Nutr Practices			1 PT PEER COUNSELOR
	<u>Children</u> 850 (51.9%)	<u>Asian</u> 39 (2.4%)				
		<u>Multiracial</u> 90 (5.5%)	<u>Children</u> -Inappropriate Nutr Practices			



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