

North Dakota Oral Health Coalition

February 26, 2010 9:00am to 11:00am

4th Floor-Gold Seal Center

Coalition Members present:

Becky Bailey	Hollie Harrington	Kathleen Mangskau	Troy Roness
Joe Cichy	Jodi Hulm	Sue Matteson	Robyn Stearns
Colleen Ebach	Erica Hursey	Kathy Moum	Kimberlie Yineman
Kara Dodd	Kathy Keiser	Alice Musumba	Dave Zentner
Gary Garland	Carla Kelly		

Coalition Member via phone:

Michelle Berg	Dr Richard Rathge	Cameo Skager	
Doreen Ott	Brenda Schmidt		

Guests:

Tara Lacher

Review of Previous Meeting

Dave Z made motion to approve minutes from the last meeting, JoAnn B seconded, motion approved.

Introduction of Coalition Coordinator:

Troy Roness was introduced to the Coalition as the new OH Coalition Coordinator. He is from Crosby, ND and shares his work schedule within the Oral Health Program and Division of Nutrition & Physical Activity. He has been investigating the 501C-3 process for the Coalition and has invited a guest speaker with information to share with the Coalition. Other items that Troy is working on include the Oral Health Calendar of Events and also cleaning up the Oral Health website regarding

Tara Lacher was introduced to the Coalition. She is the founder of "My Pink Scarf". As her business grew she realized she needed more funding to help pay for yarn, postage and supplies. She visited with Brian Riddle (who wrote the 501c-3 for Tracy's Sanctuary House). She reviewed the process, followed the steps to achieve the 501C-3 status for her non-profit business. There was brief discussion by the Coalition regarding the advantages of having a 501C-3 status. A motion to form a 501c-3 was made by JoAnn Brager, seconded by Kathy Mangskau. The motion passed. Tara would be willing to help our Coalition with any questions or concerns that she is familiar with within the process.

Dr. Rathge reviewed the **State Plan** goals and objectives. (Handout) This is a 5-year plan but the "smart" objectives state many objectives should be achieved by 2010. The final plan will be presented at the May meeting. At that meeting, many of the goals and objectives will be divided up to assure keeping members informed and active to attain these goals.

Troy discussed the possibility of **dues** for the Coalition. A sub-committee was set-up to come up with ideas to raise money for the Coalition and will report in May. Members on this committee include: Erica Hursey, Troy Roness and Carla Kelly.

The **Southwest Area and Safety Net Clinic** information was presented by Carla Kelly and Kimberlie. A meeting is scheduled on March 16 in Dickinson. At this meeting they are expecting to discuss and show support from area residents who would like to see the clinic start up in the future. Some of the organizations that will be represented will be doctors, dentists, principals from the local schools, someone from the Correctional facility in New England, Marcia Olson from "Bridging the Dental Gap", Jodi Hulm from ND Medical Assistance, and Dr. Brian Jespersen-a local orthodontist who has a satellite clinic in Dickinson. Other people who would have

expertise in this area and may attend would be Paula Flanders and Kathy Mangskau, whom could help with funding opportunities.

The **Prevention program** update:

- The sealant pilot program: 21 students in grade 3 from Jeanette Myhre School received sealants at “Bridging the Dental Gap” on February 22nd. The next sealant program will be May 7 and include grade 6 students from Jeanette Myhre, as well.
- A temporary staff dentist may be hired to sign the work order allowing more public health hygienist to provide services. Any liability issues would be covered by the DoH.
- Funding for a public health hygienist may be included with the future legislation for the upcoming session. This person must be licensed by the Board of Dental Examiners from the state of ND.

Sub-Committee Reports:

Data Advisory Committee: Kathy Moun

Data is currently being compiled for the workforce survey and the basic screening survey. Work is also starting on oral health fact sheet of accomplishments to show the successes that oral health received after the last legislative session.

Policy Committee: Robyn Stearns

They are discussing the 2011 legislative plan. The focus will be to prioritize policy issues for the 2011 legislative session.

Prevention Committee: Sue Matteson

Some of their topics were discussed previously. They emphasized setting priorities for the next legislative year.

Access Committee: Kathy Kaiser

They are still discussing a partnership with CHAD and Ronald McDonald House Charities. However this connection would be mainly on the eastern half of ND. There may be difficulties running a program from Bismarck when the funding partner is many miles away. They have approached Marcia Olson of “Bridging the Dental Gap” to act as a possible partner for the Care Mobile. Marcia asked that they submit paperwork for their proposal to the “Gap” by March 16. Beulah/ Hazen and Dickinson would be possible sites for safety net clinics. Karen Larson is also involved to explore other funding sources. The appropriated money must be spent by June 2011. The possible problem for any partner would be financial. A 501C-3 status may be needed to get this Care Mobile funded.

Medical Assistance: Jodi Hulm

The “Insure Kids Now” website is updated and includes information about children and their dental work done in the state. She also stated that ND received a “C” on the PEW Report. Many agencies will be reading and reacting to this document in the future.

Loan Repayment: Gary Garland

The loan money has been awarded to 2 dentists: one at the “Bridging the Dental Gap, one in Grand Forks and there is another applicant that would be practicing in Fargo. In order for the program to work in the Dickinson area if a safety net clinic would be started, there would need to be legislative action first.

Contractor’s Report: Cameo Skager

She is working on the website, fact sheets, news articles and media. Oral health worked the Coordinated School Health Program to create a strategy sheet that they will also use in the school settings.

Give Kids a Smile: Erica Hursey

3 local dentists from Bismarck/Mandan did dental work on 76 kids donating approximately \$23,000 of services. (Presently there are 6 dentists on board for next year.) There was a “Give Kids a Smile” event held at NDSCS also. They donated \$21,000 of dental work on campus. The donation amount was not available from the “Give Kids a Smile” event in Grand Forks.

“Give Kids a Smile” was advertised with flyers given out at the local schools, Head Start programs, and through the United Way. Erica was also active doing school presentations to “get the word out”. She was thanked from the OH Coalition for her work on this project. The dentists who participated this year were: Dr’s. Nichols and Johnson, Dr. Overby, Dr. Langrebe and Dr. Nelson. Each dentist provided and donated their time and that of their staff to accomplish the work done on the “Give Kids a Smile” day.

The new member recruitment will be for the **annual meeting in May**. Troy made a schedule of future meeting dates for OH Coalition and the various committees related to the work of the Coalition. (Handout)

Kimberlie indicated that Dr. Lynn Mouden will be doing a presentation on June 11, 2010. The topic will be **“Determining Policy Priorities”**. She would like the Policy committee members to attend. The maximum attendance will be 25 people so reservations should be made through Colleen.

The next meeting will be on May 7, 2010.

The meeting was adjourned.

Hollie Harrington, Secretary
Colleen Ebach, Recorder