

STATE HEALTH COUNCIL

April 3, 2013

A teleconference meeting of the State Health Council was called to order by Chairman Gordon Myerchin at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2013 in AV Room 210 of the Judicial Wing, State Capitol, Bismarck, ND.

Members present:

Gordon Myerchin, Grand Forks, Chairman *(by phone)*
Carmen Toman, Bismarck, Vice Chairman *(by phone)*
Marlene Kouba, Regent, Secretary *(by phone)*
Howard Anderson, Turtle Lake *(by phone)*
Mike Jones, Bismarck *(by phone)*
Jerry Jurena, Bismarck
Wade Peterson, Mandan *(by phone)*
Duane Pool, Bismarck
Dennis Wolf, MD, Dickinson *(by phone)*

Members absent:

Greg Allen, Jamestown

Staff members present:

Terry L. Dwelle, MD, State Health Officer
Arvy Smith, Deputy State Health Officer
Gary Garland, Office of Primary Care
Londa Rodahl, Recording Secretary

Minutes

Arvy Smith reviewed what the Department is considering for the loan repayment programs currently administered through the Office of Primary Care. Gary Garland is retiring at the end of June and his responsibilities and the funding can easily be shifted to the University of North Dakota Health Services Center since he works with UND on these programs.

Presently, half of the grant Gary receives goes directly to UND for some of the grant responsibilities. The Department is proposing to contract with UND to also assume Gary's responsibilities. The Department was seeking input from the Health Council on how the loan repayment administration and funding should be handled.

MR. JURENA MOVED THAT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT CONTRACT WITH UND TO ASSUME GARY GARLAND'S DUTIES AND KEEP THE FUNDING FOR THE RECIPIENT PAYMENTS IN-HOUSE AS WELL AS THE INDIRECT PORTION OF THE GRANT TO COVER HEALTH DEPARTMENT COSTS. HE ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT THIS CONTRACT BE ON A YEARLY BASIS FOR A COUPLE YEARS. MRS. KOUBA SECONDED.

The Chair requested a roll call vote and the MOTION CARRIED. Anderson, Jones, Jurena, Kouba, Myerchin, Peterson, Pool, Toman, and Wolf voted 'aye'. There were no 'nay' votes. Allen—absent.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Submitted,



Marlene Kouba, Secretary