

MINUTES: Healthy Carolinians of Macon County – Access to Care Committee

DATE: February 22, 2008 **PLACE:** Angel Medical Center

TIME: 12:00 N – 2:00 PM

ATTENDEES: Vanessa Bailey, Rhonda Blanton, Jim Bruckner, Dorothy Crawford, Jennifer Garrett, Lisa Hilliard, Jane Kimsey, Jeff King and Diana Reese

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
Welcome and Approval of Minutes	Kathy McGaha welcomed everyone to today’s meeting of the Access to Care Committee. Ms. McGaha asked the committee members to review the minutes of the last meeting. Jane Kimsey motioned for the approval of the minutes. Dorothy Crawford 2 nd the motion, with a unanimous vote for approval.		
Introductions	Kathy McGaha asked the committee members to introduce themselves and tell what organization they represented.		
Lunch	Lunch was provided by Marty Wadewitz and Angel Medical Center.		
Review Action Plan	<p>Kathy McGaha briefly reviewed what had been covered in the past meetings. Ms. McGaha stated this committee is looking at providing comprehensive primary care services needed in the community. This committee started action planning at the last meeting.</p> <p>Ms. McGaha asked the committee members to review the first handout. Ms. McGaha said there is a need in Macon County to provide these services. At the last meeting, four categories on how to do this were agreed on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Define Target Population/Eligibility▪ Improve Health Status▪ Start-up and Sustainable Funding▪ Overall-Ongoing Community Support		
Define Target Population/Eligibility	<p>Kathy McGaha next led a group discussion on defining the target population and eligibility. Jane Kimsey had investigated demographic data and reported her findings to the committee.</p> <p>Ms. Kimsey covered data from:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. U.S. Census		

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	<p>2. North Carolina Child Advocacy 3. Division of Public Health 4. Division of Medical Assistance (Medicaid information)</p> <p>Ms. McGaha also covered information regarding the Community Care Clinic and how it is set-up and what services they provide. Ms. McGaha said the average patient census in January was 34.7 per each Thursday night.</p> <p>Ms. McGaha also reviewed a handout she had passed out on Federally Qualified Health Center's (FQHC). The handout also contained information and facts on North Carolina's Community Health Centers.</p> <p>The committee members then discussed how to define the target population and who would be eligible for this clinic. The suggested target population was:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 150% of federal poverty guidelines ▪ No health insurance ▪ Undocumented children ▪ Adults ▪ Medicaid recipients <p>Jane Kimsey and Jim Bruckner will meet and further discuss these suggestions.</p>	<p>Jane Kimsey and Jim Bruckner will meet to further discuss and review the suggestions made for the target population.</p>	
<p>Improve Health Status Action Items</p>	<p>Kathy McGaha next asked the committee members to consider how to Improve Health Status Action Items. Ms. McGaha asked the committee members to start considering the following key tasks listed for this topic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Define needed services ○ Identify Collaborators ○ Identify resources that lead to the development of services ○ Identify services that can be created ○ Explore alternative resources to expand services 		

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	<p>After discussing this topic, the committee determined that more information needed to be gathered. Ms. McGaha will set up a meeting with Marty Wadewitz, Jim Bruckner and herself.</p> <p>Ms. McGaha also asked the committee members to gather information on each of key tasks and bring that information to the next meeting.</p>	<p>Kathy McGaha will set-up a meeting with Marty Wadewitz, Jim Bruckner and herself.</p> <p>The committee members will gather information on for the key tasks under Improve Health Status.</p>	
<p>School Based/Linked Health Centers</p>	<p>Kathy McGaha passed out a handout from the North Carolina Community Health Center Association. Ms. McGaha asked the committee members to review the handout. The handout covered the topic of school based/linked health centers (SBHC's).</p> <p>Jennifer Garrett explained that SBHC's are usually located in schools or on school grounds. Ms. Garrett said they can provide a comprehensive range of services that can meet specific student needs. Ms. Garrett explained that a consent form is sent home for the parents to sign. This form lists a menu of services for the parent(s) to pick from.</p> <p>The next form in the handout reviewed the seven fundamental principles and goals for school-based health centers established by NASBHC.</p> <p>These seven are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The SBHC supports the school. 2. The SBHC responds to the community. 3. The SBHC focuses on the student. 4. The SBHC delivers comprehensive care. 5. The SBHC advances health promotions activities. 6. The SBHC implements effective systems 7. The SBHC provides leadership in adolescent and child health. 		

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Next Meeting Date	The next meeting of the Access to Care Committee will be held on Friday, April 4 th from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM at Angel Medical Center.		The meeting date for the next Access to Care Committee was changed to Monday, April 7th. It will be held from 12:00 N – 2:00 PM in the ICU Conference Room at Angel Medical Center.