

**MINUTES: Healthy Carolinians of Macon County – Steering Committee**

**DATE:** April 15, 2009

**PLACE:** Health and Human Services Building

**TIME:** 10:00 AM – 12:00 N

**ATTENDEES:** Rhonda Blanton, Jim Bruckner, Lisa Hilliard, Anne Hyder, Jane Kimsey, Kathy McGaha, Barbara McRae, Barry Patterson, Jim Thurmond and Martin Wadewitz

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Welcome and Approval of Minutes	<p>Marty Wadewitz welcomed everyone to today’s meeting of the Steering Committee. Mr. Wadewitz asked the committee members to review the minutes of the last two meetings. Jim Bruckner motioned for the approval of the minutes. Anne Hyder 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, with a unanimous vote for approval.</p>		
HCMC Brochure and Agency Acknowledgement	<p>Kathy McGaha passed out a handout of the HCMC brochure for the committee members to review. Ms. McGaha said she had recently updated it and asked the committee members to review it and voice their opinions or make suggestions of changes.</p> <p>Ms. McGaha specifically asked the committee members about crediting lead agents for each impact that was listed. Ms. McGaha stated that her biggest concern was leaving a lead agent out of the listing. After a brief group discussion, the committee members suggested not listing lead agents under each impact. The consensus was to continue listing everyone under community partners.</p> <p>The committee members also made several other suggestions about changes to the brochure. Ms. McGaha said she will revise the brochure with these suggestions and will send it out for all committee members to review.</p>	<p>Kathy McGaha will revise the brochure and send the revised form out to all committee members.</p>	
Committee Updates	<p>Marty Wadewitz asked for an update on the following committees:</p> <p><u>Access to Care Committee</u> – Lisa Hilliard, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lisa Hilliard reported that this committee has not met recently. Ms. McGaha explained that after a lot of hard work by this committee, the committee members could not arrive at a workable solution</li></ul>		

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	<p>for access to care in the Franklin area. Ms. McGaha asked the Steering Committee members if this committee should continue for now or take a break. After a brief group discussion, the Steering Committee members agreed that this committee could be put on hold for the moment.</p> <p><u>Chronic Disease Committee</u> – Teresa Breedlove, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kathy McGaha gave an update on the Regional Obesity Project. Ms. McGaha said that three regional strategies had been agreed upon:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) A regional database of obesity efforts</li> <li>2) A consistent measurement of BMI's throughout the region</li> <li>3) A weight management referral resource</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Ms. McGaha stated that this committee was also watching the progress of the State Smoke-free Worksites and Public Places Bill.</li> </ul> <p><u>Community Needs Assessment</u> – Anne Hyder, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anne Hyder announced that this committee is being reactivated and will meet next week to start preparing for HCMC's next upcoming community assessment.</li> <li>• Ms. Hyder said the first meeting will be composed of a core group of members to discuss and decide who should be involved in the next assessment.</li> <li>• Ms. Hyder said this committee will review and discuss the SOTCH report.</li> </ul> <p><u>Elder Care and Caregivers Committee</u> – Dr. Vargas, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kathy McGaha said the upcoming Senior Expo and Health Fair will be held on May 1<sup>st</sup>, from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the Community Facilities Building. Ms. McGaha invited everyone to attend this event.</li> <li>• Ms. McGaha also gave a brief update on the</li> </ul>		

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	<p>upcoming move of Senior Services to the old library building.</p> <p><u>Environmental Quality Task Force</u> – Barry Patterson, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barry Patterson first updated the committee members on the current Environmental Health programs and staff numbers.</li> <li>• Mr. Patterson also announced that the dates of the two upcoming Rabies Clinics. The dates are May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Rhonda Blanton will send a reminder out to all HCMC members.</li> <li>• Mr. Patterson updated the committee members on the progress of the letter (formerly postcard) that will be sent out to the public to inform and promote consumer awareness for well and septic system maintenance. Mr. Patterson said the older septic systems will be targeted first.</li> <li>• The committee members suggested doing press releases to promote and explain this program before the letters start being sent.</li> <li>• Mr. Patterson said this committee has started considering what their next project will be. Mr. Patterson said several topics were reviewed and discussed at the last meeting.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mental Health Committee</u> – Jim Bruckner, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kathy McGaha reported that this committee has not met since January.</li> <li>• Jim Bruckner reported that the recommendations from the Mental Health Task Force had been presented to the Macon County Board of Commissioners.</li> </ul> <p><u>Strengthening Families Committee</u> – Vanessa Bailey, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kathy McGaha informed the committee members about the recent meeting held on the Homeless situation in Macon County. Ms. McGaha said the</li> </ul>	<p>Rhonda Blanton will send out the information for the Rabies Clinics to all HCMC members.</p>	

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	<p>Strengthening Families Committee will follow-up on this topic.</p> <p><u>Substance Abuse Task Force</u> – Robby Holland, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kathy McGaha said this task force had completed the Strategic Framework Planning Process. Ms. McGaha said from this process the task force had picked two topics to focus on:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Prescription Drug Abuse</li> <li>➤ Underage Drinking</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
Other Items for Discussion	<p>Other Items for Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Kathy McGaha invited everyone to the Full Partnership Meeting on May 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM at Tartan Hall. Ms. McGaha explained that a viewing of a 30-minute segment from the documentary series – “Unnatural Causes.” Ms. McGaha said after this viewing the audience will discuss and explore how policy and environmental circumstances are affecting the lives of Macon County residents. Ms. McGaha reminded the committee members to RSVP to Rhonda Blanton.</li> <li>○ Kathy McGaha reminded the committee members to please fill out a Participation Form and return this form to Rhonda Blanton.</li> </ul>	<p>Kathy McGaha asked the committee members to RSVP to Rhonda Blanton for the Full Partnership Meeting.</p> <p>Kathy McGaha reminded the committee members to fill out a Participation Form and return it to Rhonda Blanton.</p>	
Next Meeting Date	<p>The next meeting of the Steering Committee will be held on Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 10:00 AM – 12:00 N in Meeting Rooms A/B at the Health and Human Services Building.</p>		