

DPAC Board Meeting Minutes June 4, 2009

In Attendance: Ragnhi Bundesmann, Jean Chickering, Lori Corteville, Dawn Crane, Art Franke, Peter Dews, Anne Esdale, Sally Joy, Mary Jean Klebba, Robin Nwankwo, Gloria Palmisano, Kristi Pier, Kathy Pruneau-Hill, Susanna Robinson, Edward Stein, Lou Vader, Kim Walsh

Updates:

- Micki Juip was excused from this meeting as she had an unscheduled work commitment.
- Art Franke is joining us as a proxy for Leslie Biskup-Ahmad as the representative from the Communications Workgroup.
- Susanna Robinson is joining us as a proxy for Gloria Palmisano as the representative from the Training and Education Programs Workgroup.

Board approved the March 24, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes with revisions. And, the Board approved the April 27, 2009 DPAC Full Membership Meeting Minutes.

Workgroup Updates and Discussion:

Advocacy

- The workgroup sent letters to Health Purchasers Coalitions along with the Diabetes Care Management report. Kim Walsh sent a follow-up email and will make calls to contacts next week. The letter encourages them to share the report with members and offers to provide a presentation on the key components in the report.
- The May 5, 2009 Executive Order included cuts to the Diabetes and Kidney Disease program line. The workgroup will monitor impact for FY10.
- The workgroup is also monitoring the anticipated introduction of the Diabetes Care in Schools legislation by Representative Jones, HB4878.

Communications

- Workgroup members are developing core facts and emerging issues for public awareness campaigns. The members are voting on three emerging issues to focus on this year.
- The workgroup is reviewing a list of external partners so that it can be used to guide distribution efforts as the communications workgroup and other DPAC workgroups develop or identify resources.

Training

- Materials are completing the development and identification of materials on diabetes and oral health and diabetes and pregnancy. Final materials will be disseminated through various channels to consumers and health care professionals. They have drafted letters to go out to health care professionals and will run these by the Communications Workgroup before they are finalized.

Prevention

- Members will review the prediabetes survey results to further mine the data and will follow-up with individuals and organizations who responded that they have existing

programs. For example, these respondents may be asked to join the Prevention Workgroup and their info may be shared with the DONs to ensure that they are included on their resource directories.

- Members are planning to distribute the Prediabetes and Diabetes Treatment Plan to providers along with a cover letter and a newsletter-ready article.
- Members will be identifying topics and writers to develop prevention issues for other newsletter articles.

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- The workgroup is developing three fact sheets on the cost of diabetes care that will target separate audiences. They will work with the Advocacy workgroup on a piece that will target legislators and contribute to Advocacy workgroup efforts to make the business case for diabetes prevention and control.
- Lori provided Ragni information on quality of life indicators to inform her support group research project. Ragni hopes to obtain information on cost benefit of support group participation.
- The workgroup's third research translation piece will be submitted soon.

Membership Committee

- Follow-up interviews from the New Member Orientation were completed and the feedback was very positive from participants.
- Changes were made to the Membership Policy based on feedback from Board members. We discussed the revised version and this letter was approved with changes. The letter will be sent to all members who have not fulfilled membership obligations in accordance with the Charter.

DPCP Update

- We will share information on the impact of the Executive Order on our FY10 budgets when more information is available.
- Andrew Mullard has resigned to take a position in Thailand. Due to the budget cuts his position will not be filled at this time.
- Mary Jean Klebba will be leaving effective June 30, however we are hopeful that she will remain involved with DPAC.
- We have purchased an IP address for the new, external DPAC web site – www.DPACMi.org. Bill Baugh will be developing mock pages for the Communications Workgroup to review.
- Thank you all for your continued support and participation in DPAC during this challenging time.

DPAC Full Membership Meeting, April 27 Review

We discussed the April meeting and recommendations for speakers and themes were made for upcoming meetings. Dr. Paul Dake has been invited to speak about the Great Flint Health Coalition's Diabetes Group Visit Project. And, due to an interest in addressing economic burden and cost of diabetes, Robin Nwankwo will approach Dr. Bill Herman about a presentation on some of the cost reduction initiatives being undertaken at U of M (He has agreed to present –

thanks Robin for making this happen!). Given that each of these presentations will require a good amount of time and we want to leave time for questions, it was suggested that we postpone the Diabetes Retinopathy presentation until the Spring 2010 meeting at which time we could have a meeting focus on “diabetes complications”. Recommendations were made to focus on what we can do to address diabetes complications, perhaps highlighting programs, and to consider a panel discussion. Another option was to have a clinical highlight at each meeting. Depending on time available, we may consider this for the October meeting. (Given that we have two 1 hour presentation we will probably not have time for a clinical highlight at the October meeting).

DPAC Priorities

The Board discussed DPAC Board Priorities for 2009 - 2010. We discussed Attachment A which provided the responses contributed during the March 24, 2009 meeting and added some additional items. Kim will send out a revised document with themes to consider for FY10 before the September meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Next DPAC Meetings:

- Board Meeting - September 3, 2009 from 9:00 – 12:30, Washington Square Building – Rm. 205, downtown Lansing.
- DPAC Full Membership Meeting - October 5, 2009, from 9:30 – 4:00, Kellogg Conference Center, East Lansing.