

Latino Health Council Meeting

June 26, 2014

1) **Introductions:** Martha Saucedo (Access), Alia Dayne (Agrace), Lilliam Post (Catholic Multicultural Center), Christy Lee Ward (Center for Patient Partnerships), Anne-Louise Plesh (Dean & St. Mary's Hospital), Mary Elizabeth Bathum (Edgewood College School of Nursing), Sara Camacho (GHC), Marco Torrez (Journey Mental Health Center), Ingrid Andersson (Madison Area Midwives), Rachel Tybor (Madison Area Midwives), Erika Pi (Madison Area Midwives), Sarah Kamin (Madison Area Midwives), Tobi Cawthra (Meriter), Yolanda Salazar (Northeast Senior Coalition), Maria Huerta (AIDS Network & Northeast Senior Coalition), Leslie Ptak (OSHA), Jeff Golden (Public Health: Madison Dane County), Katie Hensel (Tri 4 Schools), Patricia Tellez-Giron (UW Family Medicine Dept), Kristi Jones (Waisman Center), Marshall Flax (WI Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired), Shannon Ruiz (WI Well Woman Program), Robin Lankton (UW Dept of Family Medicine), Tammy Quall (Access) and Ximena Restrepo (WI Medical Society)

1. May minutes approved, motion by Mary Elizabeth and Jeff

2. Announcements

- Jeff: PHMDC has 200 doses of MMR vaccines available for free. Public Health is looking for already scheduled community events to distribute these.
- Patricia: Mary Vazquez had a baby girl (Olivia) on June 11, 2014.
- Mary Elizabeth: Spoke with the Dean at Edgewood and there is a possibility that LHC could receive \$3,000-4,000. Will keep us updated.
- Robin: Rachel Grob will be working with the UW Dept of Family Medicine to gather data from interviews with patients about their interactions with providers. She lives in New York but travels frequently to Madison.
- Katie: Tri 4 Schools has a Summer Awards Night scheduled for July 15, 2014 from 6-9pm. There will be more info sent out via the list serve.
- Lilliam: Support group for women and partners with or affected by breast cancer. Next support group is on July 17, 2014 from 5-7pm at the Catholic Multicultural Center.
- Patricia: Send any other announcements to Patricia by July 7, 2014 if you want it on the next radio program.
- Robin Lankton is from UW Dept of Family Medicine. She has experience in public health and community health. She is currently working on educating and training residents and faculty on integrative medicine in relation to community health. She also performs planning and evaluation for integrative medicine. She is securing funding for Patricia to be part of the program and working on obtaining grant money for LHC. She speaks Spanish and has lived

abroad in Santiago, Chile.

3. Updates

- Website committee: Patricia will talk to Fernando about making changes.
- Events committee: Teen Bash will be on July 12, 2014 from 10am-3pm at Bethel. Topics discussed will be Consequences for breaking rules/laws, Healthy Relationships, Racial/gender Relations and Self Esteem/Mental Health. There is the capacity to host 100 kids; only 25 are registered currently. Pre-registration is accepted by calling 608-446-4603 or families can show up the day of the event (kids stay, parents sign consent and leave).
- Membership committee: Working on putting together a new member info packet. It will contain the membership agreement, information about the local Latino population, events (dates/places), important contacts, history of LHC and success stories. Also reviewed making a follow-up call or lunch invite after a new member attends their first meeting to see if they need help making any connections or have questions.
- Finance committee: Letters to LHC's regular funders have been sent. Dean has already donated \$1,500 to LHC.
- Other ways to raise funds for our annual costs were discussed including:
 - 1) Collecting a membership fee from each member organization annually (could be waived if organization can't afford to pay for the membership fee).
 - 2) Sending letters asking for donations to local corporations and associations.
 - 3) Sending letters asking for donations to individual donors. Members are asked to send 10 donation request letters to friends and acquaintances.

If you have a contact at a corporation that may be willing to donate, please send the Finance committee their information.

- Finance committee will get together to formalize the letters and membership fees soon.
- Patricia and Shiva met with the United Way because the United Way was working on a grant for ACA/Marketplace Outreach in the Latino community. Patricia and Shiva proposed a promotora model to educate people on how to use their new insurance. The United Way included funds for LHC and a coordinator in the grant.

Madison Area Midwives Presentation

Madison Area Midwives are National Board Certified and State Licensed Midwives that provide qualify out-of-hospital maternity care to women in Dane County. Their care is individualized, family oriented and public health supported. Erika Pi will be the first Spanish-speaking Midwife in the Madison area. The Midwives also educate nursing students and residents about their services. Midwives are not "against" hospital births and they

work cooperatively with EMTs and hospital staff to insure transfers are done correctly. Women in 35 of 44 developed nations have lower risk of maternal mortality rates than the US. All prenatal and postpartum visits last for an hour or more. The Madison Area Midwives are currently meeting with Meriter to better coordinate NICU discharges. Wisconsin is one of the top 8 states in the US in relation to number of home births. Wisconsin is second only to Pennsylvania in Amish population, which contributes to the number of home births. Wisconsin also has a very detailed Midwifery law that protects patients and Midwives. There are only 8 Midwives in the Madison area and they are on-call 24 hours a day for their clients. Midwives are reimbursed for maternity care by virtually all private insurance companies and Wisconsin Medicaid (depending on the Midwife). Uninsured clients have access to a sliding fee scale, payment plans and/or bartering. Midwives in Dane County are certified in neonatal resuscitation, carry oxygen, IV fluids and anti-hemorrhagic medications. Mother's Milk Alliance is a program centered on human milk sharing. There is donor lab testing and it is free for women to access. Some of the Midwives offer placenta encapsulation. On 09/20/14 there will be a Microbirth Film Screening at Promega Auditorium at 5pm.

- Tammy (Access): 13 years with Access. They currently have 230 employees. They have grown to have Medical, Dental, Behavioral, Dental and Pharmaceutical depts. The Dental program has 13 Dentists and they see 14,000 patients. They are accepting very few new patients. Access' goal is to integrate their medical program with their dental program. Currently, medical patients cannot get in to Access' dental health program unless they have pain or an infection. Prenatal patients have priority to get in to the dental program and Access is hoping to expand this to other groups such as medical patients that have diabetes.

Next meeting: July 24 at Wingra, hosted by Tri 4 Schools