

Latino Health Council

Planned Parenthood at Wingra Clinic 1102 S. Park St. June 23, 2016 9:30-11:30

0. Continental breakfast

1. Introductions

In attendance: Anna Kaminski, Martha Saucedo, Brenda Gonzalez, Stephanie Johnson, Anne Plesh, Bobbie Sonnetag, Dennis Perkins, Kirstin Norslien, Sara Camacho, Hannah Flanagan, Fernando Cano, Rodrigo Valdivia, Rosario Angulo, Meghan Benson, Jeff Golden, Judith Rasmussen, Lucia Ledesma, Katie Hensel, Madison Blaydes, Christian Hernandez, Rosario Rhoden, Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, Patricia Tellez Giron, Robin Lankton, Lizzie Nettesheim, Kristi Jones, Shannon Ruiz, Natalie Dosch

2. Minutes (approval/corrections)

• Motion was passed unanimously and the minutes were approved.

3. Announcements/check-in

Katie: Tri 4 Schools Kids Triathlon in Sun Prairie will be on 7/9 at 7:30am. Volunteers are needed and can sign up with Katie or online.

Kirstin: 7/12-28 (9:00am-11:00am) Cancer Transitions summer session at The American Center.

Jeff: Discussion regarding banning the use of Google Translate in the city Brenda: Agrace is having an auto raffle with La Movida. Tickets are available now until 9/13, \$5/ticket or 5/\$20 with proceeds going to Care for All.

Christian: Unidos now located at 2789 Fish Hatchery Rd. Their annual event is 7/22 at the Lowell Center.

Shiva: UW Health revised their Community Care policy for the uninsured. The changes are positive (changed to 500% federal poverty level) and will be posted online as of 7/1.

Fernando: Holding HIV support group with ARCW. There will be a grand opening/dedication for the community of the new medical home on 6/30 at 5:30pm.

Kristi: Bucky's Race for Rehab to support Medic Clinics will be on 6/30 at 9:00am.

Rosa: is forming a support group for families in Deerfield and Cambridge to provide them an opportunity to discuss issues including managing stress.

Second Harvest is working on a project funded by St. Mary's to provide community members with a combination of food delivery and diabetes education. There will be discussions regarding how to provide these services in Spanish.

4. Old business:

• Subcommittees' meetings/updates:

Finances: The usual donations have been received, as well as a large donation from ARCW bringing our balance to \$25,399, which is the highest it's been in a long time. Pending Edgewood \$3000 to support the Mental Health Summit.

Website: Lizzie is adding new members to the website and information on the Medic clinic.

5. New business:

 <u>Planned Parenthood presentation by Meghan Benson, Director of</u> Education

Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin is an affiliate of the Federal organization. There are 3 legs of service: health services, education, and public affairs. There are 22 centers in the state. Three of them are abortion clinics, and the rest provide family planning and preventive services. Nurse practitioners provide these services. Dane County has 2 health centers. The location at 2222 Park St. is a family planning center. The Madison East Center on Orin Rd. provides abortion services and birth control. PP is one of two abortion providers in the State. When a patient has an abnormal pap they are referred to Share the Health or PP in Milwaukee for a colposcopy; patients are referred to ARCW for AIDS diagnoses. PP partners with Exhale to provide abortion support/mental health support services through a phone line. The vast majority of PP patients are in their 20s and have no insurance or experiencing a gap in health care access. Services are provided on a sliding fee scale depending on income. Family Planning services are covered by Badgercare. PP has been a Title X grantee for 30 years but now under Walker, there is risk of losing the funding if the grant goes to the State rather than to PP. Preventive services are provided to minors without parental consent, but patients are encouraged to talk to an adult. An adult must sign for abortion services when the patient is a minor, although there is a judicial bypass process if it's not impossible to involve family for consent. There are 2 appointments required when a patient seeks abortion services, and a 24-hour waiting period required after the first appointment. Both surgical and medical abortion services are provided. Some private insurance covers the cost. Badgercare can only cover the cost in legal cases, such as incest. There are private foundations at both the state and national levels to help patients cover the cost of abortion. PP provides education services around the community in schools, churches and other agencies. Topics include sexuality, abuse prevention. healthy relationships, etc. and all programs are available in both English and

Spanish. The Promotoras de Salud is the largest education program and involves 2-hour home health parties where promotoras engage people in discussions on reproductive cancers, sexual health, STI prevention, etc. PP also provides sexual health trainings for health care workers and teachers. The Public Affairs leg of PP consists of teams to fight legislation that negatively affects programing and to promote proactive legislation protecting sexual/reproductive health.

• ST. Mary's hospital new OB visitor's guidelines

Bobbie Sonnetag, (former labor and delivery nurse, current administrative director of St. Mary's Women and Children's Services/Ob/Gyn department) explained the proposed changes to the visitor policy. MDs and nursing staff have expressed concern about having a large number of visitors in the room during labor and delivery and how this could affect safety and communication. They would like to put a limit on the number of visitors allowed in the room. Discussion: In order to provide patient-centered care, the possibility of having many visitors can't be ruled out. Other ways to make the unit safe should be put in place to allow patients to feel supported in the way that they choose. Minority families are the most likely to have large groups of visitors. Safety needs to be considered, but in order to stay patientfocused it's important to involve community/minority voices when discussing changes. Patients need to feel that their support needs will be met. If there were to be a limit on visitors, this would be staff-focused rather than patient-focused service. National best/next practices should be investigated.

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting: July 28, 2016

Meeting place: Gilda's Club

Minutes: Leslie Ptak