

MINUTES
HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
February 8, 2012

MEMBERS:

John Marren
Ralph Angelo
John Champlin
John Cowley
Margaret Hilton
Norman Teed

PRESENT: Committee Members, William Swingly,
Greg Powers, Mary Gates, Mary Beer, Sandy Seeber,
Mary Krause, Diane Johnston, John Garvey,
Patricia Dhondt-Campbell, Supervisor J. Sheppard

DISTRIBUTION: Committee Members, Board Chairman
Theodore Fafinski, Supervisor Dan Marshall, Karen DeMay,
Department Heads

Chairman Marren called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – A motion to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2012 meeting was made by Supervisor Champlin and seconded by Supervisor Teed. Motion carried.
2. **HEALTH FACILITY TASK FORCE UPDATE** - Mary Krause provided an update on the Task Force activities. The Task Force is progressing with the development of the final report to present at the February 29, 2012 committee meeting.
3. **HEAL (Health Efficiency and Affordability Law) GRANT** - County Administrator John Garvey provided an update regarding the HEAL Grant application being submitted by F.F. Thompson Health System. He has met with the President of F. F. Thompson Health System and was advised they are in the final stages of preparing the grant proposal for submission to the State within the next few days. He further stated that the figures will have to work for both F.F. Thompson Hospital and the county, with a key element being Medicaid rebasing allowance. If the grant is approved, further discussions will ensue.
4. **MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**
 - a. Discussion: Staff Member Military Leave of Absence - Bill Swingly advised that he will be submitting a request for a temporary position to cover for a military leave of absence. He does not have specific dates at this time, but advised the military leave is for a staff member that serves at the Jail and they would like to prevent a lapse in coverage.
5. **HEALTH FACILITY**
 - a. Dietician Update - Greg Powers introduced Patty Dhondt-Campbell who has been working three days a week as a Nutrition Coordinator at the Health Facility effective January 1, 2012. She provided an update on the tasks she has started working on such as quality assurance, care planning process, policies and procedures, attending various meetings, residents' concerns, etc. She noted the good cooperation she has received from the dietary staff and Food Service

Director. Discussion followed. Supervisor Sheppard recommended similar feedback through Ms. Dhondt-Campbell to the Finance and Personnel Committees would also be beneficial. Chairman Marren requested future updates from Ms. Dhondt to the committee.

6. **PUBLIC HEALTH**

- a. **Resolution: Authority to Accept Grant Award - New York State Dept. of Health - Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program - Public Health 2011-12** - Mary Beer presented the resolution to accept the grant award in the amount of \$27,291 for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012. She noted that the grant was reduced by 4% this year. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Angelo, and carried.
- b. **Resolution: Authority to Renew Contract - Clifton Springs Hospital - Public Health Programs 2012-2013** - Mary Beer advised this contract was for a renewal of the contract with Clifton Springs Hospital for services provided to Public Health programs. The time period is January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013 and there is no cost increase. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Angelo, seconded by Supervisor Hilton, and carried.
- c. **Resolution: Authority to Renew Contracts - Children with Special Needs Program - 2012-2013** - Mary Beer presented the resolution to renew contracts with providers for the Children with Special Needs Program for the time period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013. Providers are paid according to the mandated State rate schedule and funds have been budgeted. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Cowley, and carried.
- d. **Resolution: Authorization for Services - Megan C. Schewe - Ontario County Children with Special Needs Program - Preschool/Early Intervention** - Mary Beer presented the resolution and advised that Ms. Schewe is a new provider for Occupational Therapy. The time period of the contract is February 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Champlin, seconded by Supervisor Angelo, and carried.
- e. **Public Health Update** - Mary Beer provided an update on the following topics:
 - **Part time Public Health Nurse position** - After extensive recruitment efforts since June of last year, she has appointed a candidate to the position. She will be presenting a request for a step increase to the Management Compensation and Personnel Committees based upon the candidate's nursing experience.
 - **March is Colorectal Cancer Prevention Month** - Ms. Beer advised that her staff have been working with the Village of Clifton Springs and Clifton Springs Hospital for a "Main Street Goes Blue" campaign in an effort to promote the

importance of colonoscopies in the prevention and early detection of colorectal cancer. The Rotary Club and local businesses will be participating in the campaign with a ribbon cutting event scheduled for March 8th at 3:30 p.m.

- **Governor's Budget** - Ms. Beer provided an update on the impact of the proposed Governor's budget pertaining to Early Intervention and Preschool programs. She distributed a copy of two publications from the New York State Association of Counties: Preschool Special Education: A Summary and Call for Reform and Putting Kids First: Reforming the Early Intervention Program. She advised that for the Early Intervention Program, the recommendation is to shift some of the costs to the insurers. For the Preschool Special Education Program the recommendation is to have the schools share in the cost for the program. She also spoke regarding providers eventually moving to direct contracting with the State rather than the County. Discussion followed.

Chairman Marren inquired if there was any further business to come before the committee.

- Mr. Swingly advised that the resolution that was previously approved by the committee authorizing a contract for a Nurse Practitioner will be filed for the next Board of Supervisors' meeting.
- Mr. Garvey stated the Key Events report will be provided to the Board of Supervisors.
- Ms. Beer advised recently there has been an increase in flu cases. There has been an outbreak in Mexico. She encouraged anyone who may be traveling to Mexico to get the flu shot.

Being there was no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Angelo, and carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ernst
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