

**TIOGA COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH
WELLSBORO, TIOGA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

COMMITTEE: Elder Services Workgroup

DATE/LOCATION: 07/15/10 Broad Acres Next Meeting: AUGUST 19 @ 9am.

CHAIRPERSON: Deb Cuda-absent, Deb Adkins chaired

PRESENT: Virginia Campbell, Joyce Peterson, Deb Hazleton, Deb Adkins, and Stacy Kelley

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/ RESPONSIBILITY FOLLOW-UP
Review and approval of minutes	Approved.	
Senior Directories	Available at the AAA office. There are also some available at the Partnership office. Deb Adkins asked if the group would consider adding healthy living tips to the Senior Directory being that obesity is one of Tioga County's major problems.	
Senior-Spotlight	The Partnership will take care of getting the Senior volunteers in the paper at this point. We are looking for any seniors who have received services that might be interested in being interviewed for this as well. Please contact Deb Cuda if you know of anyone.	<i>Please send interviews to Brian Kennedy at the Partnership, so he can coordinate getting these into the newspaper.</i>
Education Series	<p>EXPO was a HUGE success! Approx: 750 people attendee. Several favorable remarks. Some suggestions for next year. A booth where Seniors can bring their old medication to be destroyed. Also, there was a request to remind seniors to bring their sticky address labels to hasten the process of registering and signing up for prizes.</p> <p>Second annual Medicare part D event is scheduled for November 15th and 16th. AAA is working to advertise early enough to encourage folks to send in their medications lists and other pertinent information so that the Drug plan comparisons can be completed prior to the event and appointments can be made for them during the 2 day event. Folks arriving during the event will be taken as time allows.</p> <p>Joyce O'Brien has been requested to come back to talk about Scams. Looking at September or October at this point. More information to come.</p> <p>The Workgroup may have an opportunity to secure some funding for future education seminars through AAA. At this time, Deb Cuda and Deb Adkins (through the Partnership) are working on putting a proposal together regarding the Scam seminar and another program about dealing with</p>	

<p>Provider Spotlight</p>	<p>driving and dementia that is sponsored by AARP. More information forthcoming at the next meeting.</p> <p>Alzheimer's Association received a grant that will allow them to fund training for caregivers. The association is interested in having training in Tioga County within the next 6 months. More information to come.</p> <p>Tioga County Partnership for Community Health (TCPCH). Executive Director, Deb Adkins, presented. She handed out "Report to the Community" booklets that contain Tioga County health/ quality of living statistics, and highlighted the major projects of all 14 workgroups of the Partnership including the Parent Resource Guide, and the Elder Services' very popular Senior Directory.</p> <p>She cited that one of the most major problems in Tioga County is Obesity.</p>	
<p>Support Groups</p>	<p>Diabetes- Local options have been explored and exhausted. At this point, there are no diabetes educators available to facilitate a group. Matt Baker continues to work with Hershey Medical Center regarding a possible grant opportunity down the road.</p> <p>Update: Could Kim Miller (of Dr. Sweeney's office) be a Diabetes educator for this group?-Deb A. checking into this. Could the Tokishi Ctr. be a possible handicapped accessible location for meeting times?</p> <p>Alzheimer's- No one from the community present yet. Meetings will be held the 2nd Tuesday of every month from noon to 1pm. Currently AAA has an intern who is completing an advocacy project to increase awareness of the workgroup. Dr. Offices are being targeted to help get the word out. Barriers that may be preventing from folks attending the meetings could be addressed.</p> <p>Alzheimer's Association has a grant that they want to use in Tioga by giving a seminar to caregivers of people with Alzheimer's.</p>	
<p>Sharing</p>	<p>Virginia Campbell: Busy! –Attended a 2 day annual meeting in Eire. CRI will be expanding services into Hospice as well as other areas.</p> <p>Deb Hazelton: Staffing is difficult! Training newcomers is too expensive for them to not be committed/leave so quickly (poor work ethic).</p> <p>Stacy Kelley: The Partnership will be starting a "Be Your Best You" campaign that will work to shed light on the good works of the Partnership while creating positive, healthy-living, local heroes.</p> <p>Joyce Peterson: Loves the positivity that comes from participating in the Elder Services Workgroup. She brags to</p>	

her friends in Florida that "*they need to see what Tioga County, PA does for their Senior Citizens!*" ☺

6/23/10

Asthma & Tobacco Coalition

Children's Health Fair Report

AT Coalition: Basket of Outdoor Activities Doorprize. Jody Dettinger and Michele Comes attended and hosted a registration table. *1200 kids and parents. Grab bags too.

Asthma Camp

5 registrants only! Got cancelled!

- Terri Hepp committed to getting health physicians to send A. Camp flyers out to families.
- Changing name to "Asthma Fun Day."
- Dr Clark committed his office too.
- still need to contact Guthrie Physicians

New date: TBD.

Tobacco Free L. Health

- approaching deadline
- Employees: August 2nd.
- Everybody else: November 18th Great American Smoke Out Day.

STEP OUTDOORS events: upcoming

- Hills Creek Triathlon → September 18th. Come & see!
- Ives Run Trail Challenge → October 10th. Bob Morris may do a church service since it is on a Sunday.

Partnership's Planning Committee is working on a strategic plan



Communities That Care

MINUTES	June 17, 2010	10:00 am	WASD Admin Building
ATTENDANCE	Lisa Feil, Sharon Littrell, and Stacy Kelley		
DISCUSSION	<p>Analyzing collected data:</p> <p>Crosstabulate the results of the interviews in surveymonkey.com...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is saying "parents allowing it"? • How many 35-50 yr olds are highly concerned? <p>Law Enforcement/Probation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can we invite parents to these meetings who think it is okay? Ask law enforcement to invite parents who might have this perspective. Luke D.? 		
TO DO:	<p>Focus on "at home" underage drinking. Highlight that <i>even at home</i> underage drinking is illegal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kick off Recovery Month/ new school year by highlighting PA social host law: Possibly distribute flyers or wallet cards. 		
NEXT MEETING:	<p>No meeting in July to allow for summer vacations ~Have a good summer! Next: August 19th.</p>		

Poverty Taskforce, 6/21/10

Meeting Chair: Rhonda Keller

Location: TCPCH

Attendance: Sharon Littrell, April Thorwardson, Rhonda Keller, Jim Meehan, Deb Adkins

Poverty simulation at MU. "Students loved it..."

Next FPU (Financial Peace University)? Mentor idea for FPU, for those who can't/won't go. Train people. Sharing what they learned at FPU, can just be informal. Flyers? Structure → scholarship for FPU? Banks. Going to continue (hopefully) → religious focus okay?

TREHAB → also does fiscal advising.

Poverty simulation → not as successful in the community as it was at MU. People understand the purpose? "Helpful for those who attended." Big commitment though; can TCPCH do it? Or send out info at different (other) events sponsored by TCPCH?

Marcellus Shale → EMCET is trying to "get the message out." Jobs. Housing → other states don't seem to have the problems that PA does. Severance tax in different states. Zero water/sewer/school taxes in other states. Infrastructure could grow then. Lycoming Co. starting to have same problems as Tioga Co. does. "Private landlords pulling out of the mix." No number yet for homeless people in Tioga Co. (Abby has them.) Housing Alliance of PA → trying to find a council for those people affected by Marcellus. PHFA can't do it. "Unitedly stand." Legislators, housing people, representatives → want gas people who will "help" (?). August? PA Co. Commissioners' Conference in August to talk about housing. Will benefit "if we protect ourselves." House of Representatives → statewide Housing Trust Fund. Renovate (PHFA) existing housing. \$36-40 million. Advocating for at least a 20% return for severance tax. Renovation \$\$ → local contractors.

"Nurture some other things locally." → Habitat for Humanity? (Deb) Penn College training people for working in the gas industry.

Goals: find "real life stories" for Jim for August (PACC). jmeehanrhc@yahoo.com Have some local people involved in PACC (Rhonda?).

Next meeting: 19 July 2010, 12pm, TCPCH. (Going to be the 3rd Monday of every month.)



ATOD

MINUTES

APRIL 21, 2010 9:00 AM

HARBOR COUNSELING

ATTENDANCE	Karen Bloom, Doris Kyle, and Stacy Kelley
DISCUSSION	<p>Partnership Report— Stacy distributed handout from the Poverty Task Force- "Potential Implications of Marcellus Shale Industry Development for Poverty" in Tioga County PA 4/19/2010 by Jason Weigle. This described the current population in the county and outlined the obstacles Tioga County residents may encounter.</p> <p>Media Messages: Deb A. would like to know what messages this group would like to be distributed in the media for Prom season.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Doris noted that parents may not know that it is illegal to serve their children. Do educational messages.• Possibly suggest alternative activities. Suggesting activities that require skill and competition may discourage underage drinking. <p>Recovery Month 2010: (Sat., Sept 11th) T-shirts – not enough in budget for this, but have 7th graders do a design contest for posters that could be in a newspaper spot.</p> <p>Donations-- Harbor Counseling - \$1000 for Recovery Month Picnic? Partnership—3 packs of hotdogs, giftcards for rolls and desserts,...</p> <p>TO DO: Bring Partnership ad examples to next meeting.</p> <p>Notes: Brenda Freeman of STSD suggested at a CTC meeting that the A/V Club at Mansfield High School might be able to make a PSA for their homeroom TV.</p>
NEXT MEETING	Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.



TECET

MINUTES

APRIL 6, 2010 4 -5 P.M.

TCPCH

TYPE OF MEETING	Workgroup Meeting
ATTENDEES	Kelly Cramer, Robin Flynn, Laurie Seip, Stacy Kelley, Jane Palmer, Danielle Irvin

TEACHER PANEL PLANNING

Confirmed final details. Set up can begin at 5pm. Kelly and Sandy have offered to help set up/break down.

TOP FIVE RISK FACTORS AFFECTING CHILDREN'S ABILITY TO RECEIVE ECE

The group discussed what they believed to be the risk factors:

- Lack of Parenting Skills/ Education regarding fitness/nutrition and the importance of consistent routines.
- Lack of knowledge about services available. How can we address the disconnect between services and daycare providers?
- Poverty (socio-economic status)
- Stigma about receiving services: Are there ways to reduce this stigma? Could we create and distribute info. packets to parents?
- Lack of support for working mothers.

PROCLAMATION of "The Week of the Young Child":

Jane Palmer noted that the Commissioners were doing a proclamation in the local papers and asked for activities that might be going on in area daycares that could be highlighted. She mentioned that Matt Baker would be reading to children in daycares for this week. Laurie S. and Kelly C. noted that they would be doing Hop-a-thons for the Muscular Dystrophy Association at their daycares. The Teacher Panel will also be highlighted as it is, in part, intended to be celebration of Week of the Young Child.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

See the Breast Cancer Awareness exhibit in the S.S.M.Hospital Board Room. Our own, Laurie Seip, is a 6 year cancer Survivor and is featured in this exhibit! Check it out!

Next meeting: May 4, 2010, at TCPCH (33 Pearl Street, Wellsboro), 4pm.