

**Diabetes Advisory Council
Quarterly Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 13, 2008**

Members Present:

Jonathan Barclay, Monica Brooks, Carla Chance, Amy David, Marcy Haab, Katie Hillman, Cherylene Hough, Joyce Irwin, Carrie Jackson, Carole Kacius, Sharon Langlotz, Greg Mahuron, Laura Mosier, Carolyn Muegge, Anita Ohmit, Suzan Overholzer, Violet Reynolds, Henry Rodriguez, Darlene Skelton, Linda Stemnock, Bonita Strunk, Russ Towner, Barb Welty, and Rick Zachary

ISDH Staff Present:

Laura Heinrich, Linda Stemnock, Rachel Weinrich, Joan Marciniak, and Antoniette Holt

Welcome: Laura Heinrich

1. October 10, 2007 meeting minutes were accepted as written.
2. For new members present there was a short review:
 - a. The Diabetes Prevention and Control Program (DPCP) is in the final year of a five year Cooperative Agreement with the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). However, all DPCPs across the nation will enter a cost extension with CDC for a sixth year which will end on March 29, 2009. The next competitive Agreement will have more focus on program integration, especially with Tobacco Control and Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).
 - b. The DPCP received a notice of award for a two year grant from the National Council on Aging to implement the evidence-based program developed by Stanford University, the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program in all sixteen Indiana Area Agencies on Aging in partnership with the Family and Social Services Division of Aging, the Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging, and the University of Indianapolis Center for Aging and Community. Contract issues have kept the DPCP and partners from being able to move forward with this project and are still waiting for contracts to be signed before further action can be taken in regards to implementing the program and using the funding.
 - c. Laura Mosier is the new ASIST 2010 Program Director for the Office of Women's Health. The purpose of Indiana ASIST 2010 Grant is to focus on Healthy People 2010 objectives for diabetes, nutrition and overweight, physical activity, and fitness. Three community partners which include Elkhart County Health Department, Partners for a Healthier Community, and Hoosier Uplands will implement a pilot patient navigation system that will use evidence-based strategies to improve overall health for women who have diabetes.
3. Diabetes Advisory Council Restructure – As part of the restructure, final copies of the Bylaws, Membership Application and Committee Description were distributed. Nominations for Council Chair were sought. However, none were made. A Council Chair is still needed. Chairs for Minority Committee, Health Services, and Educate Committee are still needed. Russ Towner was nominated as Partnership Committee Chair. Vicki Hermanson and Jackie Johnson volunteered to be on the Nominations Committee to find a Council Chair and Committee Chairs.
4. Diabetes Newsletter – It was decided the newsletter should reflect what happens in Indiana in regards to diabetes partners and their programs. The purpose of the newsletter is to inform and educate organizations and health professionals in Indiana on data, programs, events, and other diabetes related information within Indiana. The target audience for the newsletter is health organizations and health professionals that work in the field of diabetes and related areas. It was also suggested that

topics/articles/stories be submitted by council members to Rachel Weinrich, Health Educator to put in the newsletter. The Partnership Committee would like to promote the awareness of diabetes programs around the state, with the section entitled, "Dynamic Diabetes Programs." The second newsletter is expected to be emailed out by mid April to the beginning of June, 2008.

5. Second Statewide Assessment – There was brief discussion about the next statewide diabetes assessment. The last one was performed in 2004. ISDH just completed a general statewide assessment using the new CDC Tool which can be found on <http://www.cdc.gov/od/ocphp/nphpsp/> . The DPCP will have to complete another assessment as part of their next five-year Cooperative Agreement.
6. Committee reports:

Partnership Committee – It was discussed that the website needed some changes in design. Also, the Partnership Directory needs to be updated, for which it was suggested that an email be sent out asking for updated member information and suggestions as to who else should be included in the directory as a partner. Russ Towner suggested that an Ivy Tech student with IT and web design expertise could be utilized over the summer in order to help with the website design. The Well Point State Health Index was discussed (for more information refer to information distributed at the meeting). Also, discussed was a grant opportunity from WellPoint Foundation. Interested individuals can contact www.WellPointFoundation.org . Laura shared a web site that is currently available outlining health resources that are available in the State: <http://apps.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/local/indiana/homepage.cfm?areaid=13> (Sorry, I don't have the quick access address.)

Education Committee – The focus of the education committee changed from "diabetes prevention" education to providing training for a small number of rural Primary Care Physicians, including using the Indiana Consensus Guidelines and other diabetes related information and resources. Education packets primarily for rural area primary care physicians and office staff (i.e., nurses, medical assistants, etc.) that included the consensus guidelines and other diabetes basic information could be developed was discussed. The purpose of this packet would be to serve as a "refresher" for those doctors who do not deal with many diabetes patients in the rural communities. Attending the IN Rural Health Association Conference in June to promote this idea amongst the rural medical community was also discussed. This Committee would like to get away from the "*you have a touch of sugar*" concept.

Data and Health Services Committee – The Burden Report will now be called the Indiana Diabetes Report. The report will be finalized after Dr. Monroe signs the letter. It will be posted to the website. Consensus Guidelines for Children are being worked on. A draft will be distributed when completed.

Minority Health Committee – "Too Sweet for your Own Good" Diabetes Conferences are being planned. One conference will be held on Saturday, November 15, 2008 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in Indianapolis, Indiana. The second conference will be held on Saturday, November 22, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in Gary, Indiana. April is Minority Health Month.

7. Future Council Meeting Dates:

July 8, 2008	Thursday 1 – 4 p.m.	ISDH, Rice Auditorium (Lower Level)
October 9, 2008	Thursday 1 – 4 p.m.	ISDH, Rice Auditorium (Lower Level)