

Indiana Oral Health Coalition (IOHC) Minutes
Friday, September 7, 2012
Hosted by the
Indiana State Department of Health

Mission: The IOHC is a collective voice of individuals, groups, organizations, and businesses working together to promote, protect and provide for the oral health of the residents of Indiana.

PRESENT:

Brandi Appleget
Eugene Boone
Diana Buyer
* Katelyn Cowgill
*Amber Davis
*Christina Edwards
*Breanna Flora
Anita Gaillard
Ray Guest
Brittany Gross
Virginia Hudson

*Melissa Knight
Joan Kowolik
*Matti Lynn
E. Angeles Martinez-Mier
*Melinda Meadows
James Miller
Patty Morris
*Jennifer Olson
*Maggie Ombrembowski
Keith Roberts
David Roos

Ed Rosenbaum
Armando Soto-Rojas
Mark Stetzel
*Kristin Taylor
*Ashley Thacker
*Samantha Turner
*Angel Wells
Karen Yoder

Dr. Buyer, Chair IOHC opened the meeting at 10:10 a.m. welcoming everyone and thanking them for coming.

She introduced Dr. Jim Miller, Vice Chair. Then she allowed everyone to introduce themselves and who they represented. *A special welcome was made for the students of Melinda Meadows' class H403 Advanced Community Dental Hygiene. The adjunct professor, Amber Davis, attended today's IOHC meeting.

REVIEW MINUTES

Dr. Buyer asked if there was a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. A motion and second were offered and the Indiana Oral Health Coalition minutes for the June 8, 2012, meeting were approved as submitted by a unanimous voice vote.

Status – Indiana Oral Health Plan 2012

Dr. Miller thanked the members who had sent him comments or suggestions for the Indiana Oral Health Plan 2012. He plans to have the final version ready for the next IOHC meeting in December. He will then send it to the State Health Commissioner.

Announcements- Dr. Jim Miller

a. **State Survey**

The Oral Health Program (OHP) at the Indiana State Department of Health was allocated \$100,000 from the Indiana Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant to conduct a statewide survey of the oral health and BMI status of third graders in the state.

b. **HRSA Grant**

The Indiana University School of Dentistry, in collaboration with the OPH, was awarded a HRSA grant to develop a pilot dental sealant program for low-income children in the northern part of the state, in collaboration with federally qualified health centers and elementary schools.

c. **Other Projects**

- i. **Community Surveillance Project:** This is a pilot project where pediatric dentists in three local communities are working with the OHP to collect surveillance data from existing dental records of children in their practices, aged 8-9 years.
- ii. **Re-licensure Survey:** The main purpose of this study is to summarize the demographic characteristics of general dentists practicing in Indiana as of March 2012, using the responses to a voluntary survey that occurred in conjunctions with the re-licensing of dentists by the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency.
- iii. **Intern Project – School Dental Sealant Programs:** This project was conducted by an intern in the MPH program at IUPUI to determine what portion of high-risk elementary schools in Indiana had a dental sealant program. She found that about 63% of the schools she sampled had some type of dental sealant program.

Topic – Indiana Medicaid Oral Health Services Utilization

Ms. Virginia Hudson is a Provider Field Consultant for Hewlett Packard. She works for the contract provider, HP Computer Company. They are the outsourced contract provider for Medicaid and have the contract to process claims for the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP).

HP has no authority to change policy; that occurs at the state level. HP processes the claims based on state policy.

She explained the difference between the types of providers within Indiana Medicaid: Billing; Group; Rendering; and Dual.

When someone wants to enroll or update their enrollment as a Medicaid Provider, they can do so on the OMPP website at www.Indianamedicaid.com. Fees are detailed on this website and it houses all the forms and manuals. There are a lot of options to choose from.

Claim pricing and how reimbursement is determined was also discussed. Ms. Hudson advises providers when they are billing Medicaid, to always use their usual and customary charges. If the fee is higher than the scheduled amount, Medicaid will pay the fee scheduled amount only; but if the fee is lower than the scheduled amount, Medicaid will pay what was billed. There are a few services that require prior authorization and these are determined based on medical necessity.

Ms. Hudson explained that Medicaid will reimburse the provider for fluoride treatments for members ages 1-4 who have moderate to high-risk dental caries. These children can have one application of fluoride every six months. Annual topical applications of fluoride are available for members ages 1-20. When a member reaches age 21, Medicaid will no longer reimburse the provider for their fluoride treatments.

Unfortunately, only 30% of eligible Medicaid members receive dental care.

BUSINESS MEETING

a. Old Business

i. Non-Profit Requirements – Mr. Elliott, CPA:

The primary motivation for the IOHC in becoming a non-profit organization was to become eligible to apply for grants. Tina Elliott's husband is a CPA. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott were both absent at today's meeting. Mr. Elliott has been looking into this for the IOHC and found there are tax implications and disbursement implications to be considered. Dr. Buyer asked the members their thoughts on whether they want to take the next step and become a non-profit organization. There was group discussion about this but no decision was made.

ii. Resolution for Non-Profit status at next meeting: Dr. Buyer will send out information to the IOHC members to decide on this issue.

b. New Business

i. IOHC Website: Dr. Buyer explained her reasons to have an IOHC website. She asked if anyone could recommend somebody who could set it up. It cannot go through the State IT personnel. There was a group discussion but no decision was made.

ii. IOHC Finances: Dr. Buyer said if the IOHC does a free-standing website, it is necessary to find out what the expenses will be.

Samantha Turner made an announcement that the division of HIV/STD has added dental benefit services for all of their members in the Medical Services Program. This program provides insurance to people who have none.

ADJOURNMENT

There were no other updates and so the meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

December 7, 2012 @ 10:00 a.m., 8T1, 8T2 (8th Floor Training Rooms), ISDH

Future IOHC Meetings

March 8, 2013 @ 10:00 a.m., 8T1, 8T2 (8th Floor Training Rooms), ISDH

June 7, 2013, to be announced

September 6, 2013 @ 10:00 a.m., 8T1, 8T2 (8th Floor Training Rooms), ISDH

December 6, 2013 @ 10:00 a.m., 8T1, 8T2 (8th Floor Training Rooms), ISDH