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

Leila Alter Lawrence Goldblatt Karla Marin Muskus
Becky Bolon Jessica Griffith Holli Seabury
Melania Brune Elizabeth McClure Colleen Sullivan
Doug Bush James Miller Isaac Zeckel
Anita Gaillard Patty Morris

WELCOME

Dr. Alter, Chair, began the meeting at 10:10 a.m. welcoming everyone.

Everyone was allowed to introduce themselves and the organization they represented.

REVIEW MINUTES

Dr. Alter asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the last meeting; there were none. Dr. Alter asked for a motion and second to approve the minutes. A motion and second were offered and the Indiana Oral Health Coalition minutes from the September 7, 2018, meeting were approved as submitted by a unanimous voice vote.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Overview of the Dental Lifeline Network of Indiana A/K/A Donated Dental Services – Dr. Larry Goldblatt, DDS, MSD, and President

The Donated Dental Services (DDS) is part of a national program, Dental Lifeline Network, a national humanitarian dental organization and affiliate of the American Dental Association. The DDS program operates in all 50 states. The DDS provides access to comprehensive dentistry treatment for people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile by providing 15,000 volunteer dentists and 3,500 volunteer dental laboratories an easy and gratifying way to donate services. The DDS has several national strategic partners plus 49 state dental associations who encourage their members to volunteer with the DDS program.

Funding for the DDS comes from the state of Indiana, private individuals, foundations, and Indiana Raffles. For every $1 spent supporting the program, $8.70 worth of donated care was provided FY 2017-18.

For more information, go to: https://dentallifeline.org/indiana/ or contact Dr. Goldblatt at lgoldbla@iu.edu

There was a group discussion.

B. New Tobacco Education Materials – Dr. Holli Seabury

Holli went over the new Brush tobacco education materials developed for the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH), division of Tobacco Prevention and Cessation (TPC).
Anita Gaillard, the Director of Community Programs in TPC, approached Holli to see if she had flip charts for tobacco prevention. For about one year, they have been working on new educational material about tobacco prevention. The new items include a new teaching flip chart, associated videos, 17 associated low-literacy parent handouts, activities for parents, and activities curriculum for children in the pre-school classroom.

Electronic cigarettes is a new problem in our population and Marijuana is a continued problem. These topics are included in the new TPC educational materials. You can find the order form on their website at order https://www.in.gov/quitline/

Anita reported that they will share the tobacco facts with their coalition partners (in 46 counties in Indiana), the Head Start program, and health educators to reach out to the community about tobacco prevention. Second-hand smoke now includes second hand tobacco smoke, second hand aerosol smoke (smoking and vaping), and second hand Marijuana smoke. There is no safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke. Even low levels of secondhand smoke can be harmful.

Electronic cigarettes (also called e-cigarettes, vape pens, vapes, and pod mods) are battery-powered devices designed to heat a liquid, which typically contains nicotine, into an aerosol for inhalation by a user. Following inhalation, the user exhales the aerosol. Secondhand aerosol (incorrectly called vapor by the industry) from electronic smoking devices (ESDs) contains nicotine, ultrafine particles and low levels of toxins that are known to cause cancer.

There was a discussion about electronic cigarettes such as Juul that looks like a flash drive, and is fast becoming a problem here in Indiana for students in middle schools.

Secondhand smoke from marijuana has many of the same chemicals as smoke from tobacco, including those linked to lung cancer. “Smoke is smoke. Both tobacco and marijuana smoke impair blood vessel function similarly. People should avoid both, and governments who are protecting people against secondhand smoke exposure should include marijuana in those rules.”-Matthew Springer, cardiovascular researcher and Associate Professor of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco.

For free assistance quitting smoking and other tobacco, please call the Indiana Tobacco Quitline at 1-800-QUITNOW (1-800-784-8669). It is free and confidential.

OLD BUSINESS

a. ISDH State Oral Health Director Report – Dr. James Miller

The Oral Health Program (OHP) has posted a new course (Non-CE Course), entitled The Opioid Crisis and Orofacial Pain Management, on the ISDH Oral Health Home page. This is the second course pertaining to the opioid crisis in Indiana. The initial OHP course on the opioid crisis, entitled Dentistry and Basic Non-Opioid Prescribing in Pain, is still on the Oral Health Home page.

The OHP worked with Dr. Tammy Button (IUSD) on a webinar on perinatal oral health for the ISDH WIC Division, which has been distributed to the WIC staff throughout the state for their use in presenting information about oral health to its clients.

The OHP continues to work with the IUSD on a HRSA grant that was recently awarded to the IUSD.

Dr. Miller encouraged the IOHC members to review the Indiana Oral Health Coalition Organizational Structure and Guidelines (Bylaws), especially as they pertain to the upcoming elections of the Chair and Vice Chair. Dr.
Miller, as the State Oral Health Director and the IOHC Coalition Director, will send email notifications pertaining to these elections as prescribed in the guidelines.

b. Recap from the Children’s Dental Conference on September 29, 2018 – Dr. Alter

Dr. Alter reported on the *Improving Children’s Health: Integrating Dental and Medical Services* conference that was held on September 29, 2018, at the Indiana University School of Dentistry. She reported that pediatricians, advanced practice nurses and physician assistants, with special training, can provide fluoride varnish for their patients in their medical offices. Indiana Medicaid waived the training requirement if the provider attended this Children’s Dental Conference. The conference was video-taped for any provider who wasn’t able to attend the conference and would potentially be released by the IU School of Medicine. Dr. Miller recommended the video be posted to the ISDH IN-Train program for state pediatricians to easily use.

c. Brush Update - IDA/IPHCA Oral Health Grant – Dr. Holli Seabury and Dr. Leila Alter

Dr. Seabury reported on the Brush/WIC project *Increasing access to oral health education and dental care through Michigan WIC* that she presented at the National WIC Conference in New Orleans. She presented it again this week in Washington, DC at on the Academy Health Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health Conference. She is also expanding the Brush/WIC project into Illinois and Arkansas through the Delta Dental Foundation.

They are also working in South Dakota, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. She will use grant money to translate the Brush materials into the Lakota language.

Brush materials have been integrated into the Nurse Family Partnership in Fort Wayne. They got a grant from Delta Dental to use for Brush training on home visitors, pregnancy, low-income, and first time moms.


Dr. Alter explained that she has completed a survey for ANOHC for best standards, funding, and initiatives for the IOHC.

ANOHC has suspended conference calls because board members were getting overwhelmed by the number of conference calls they were getting from their regular positions and ANOHC.

She is still working on Medicare endorsements.

e. Policy Development for Endorsement Requests – Dr. Alter

Dr. Alter requested that a policy be adopted that would allow IOHC Officers to make administrative decisions, endorsements, and write and sign letters of support for the IOHC by consensus of the Officers. If there was disagreement among the Officers, the matter would be brought to the IOHC members at a regularly scheduled quarterly meeting for consideration and approval by a simple majority voice vote of the members present.

Dr. Alter also requested that the Bylaws be changed to include the immediate past Chair of the IOHC as an Officer of the IOHC with the title of “Past Chair”. The Past Chair would serve for a two-year term in an advisory role to the Chair and Vice Chair and would be allowed to participate in activities as indicated by adopted policies.

Dr. Alter asked for a motion to adopt these two requests. Both requests were combined into a single motion, which included adopting the afore-mentioned policy and changing the Bylaws to include the immediate past Chair as an
Officer of the IOHC. This motion was seconded. The motion was approved as presented by a simple majority voice vote of the members present.

NEW BUSINESS
There was no new business.

ADJOURN
The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Next IOHC Annual Meeting
March 8, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m. in 5T Conference Room, ISDH
June 7, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m. in 5T Conference Room, ISDH
September 13, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m. in 5T Conference Room, ISDH
December 13, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m. in 5T Conference Room, ISDH