

**Minutes of PanhandleHATS Coalition
Children's Medical Services Board Room - Pensacola
July 11, 2013**

Present:

Janet Hess, FloridaHATS Program Office
Glenda Thomas, Regional CMS Director
Jane Gonzalez, CMS-RN
Melody Jemison, CMS Social Work
Denise Adams, Sacred Heart Health System
Bobbie Huffman, BSW- ECC/SRCC/FQHC

Present via Teleconference:

Stephanie Woods, BSW

Staff:

Pat Dunn Cole, PanhandleHATS Coalition
Coordinator

Presiding: Pat Dunn, Ms

Recording: Pat Dunn & Jane Gonzalez

Date: Thursday, July 11, 2013

Call to Order: 3:35 pm

Adjourned: 4:35 pm Post Mtg. Networking until
5:10pm

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
CALL TO ORDER	Pat Dunn called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.	
AGENDA ITEMS		
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS	Pat Dunn, PanhandleHATS Coalition Coordinator, opened the meeting at 3:35 p.m. at the Pensacola CMS office. Teleconferencing links opened and webcam of Panama City CMS office viewed. Stephanie Woods, BSW, was able to join in from the Panama City office. Pat initiated introductions of the attendees from each agency. Bobbie Huffman, BSW was in attendance from ECC/FQHC. Ms. Huffman is a new member to the coalition but not to the many services provided along the panhandle for this client population. Bobbie Huffman will be replacing Amelia Kazakos, LCW.	Information Only
UPDATE ON CREDENTIALING	Pat Dunn, Jane Gonzalez and Bobbie Huffman reported to the group the latest updates on the new CMS provider credentialing process and guidelines. Since the provider training held at ECC in 12/6/12, additional problems have occurred regarding credentialing eligibility. Since the confirmation of Charlotte Curtis, as the new CMS Bureau Chief, many topic areas that have been on hold are beginning to open for discussion and policy changes are expected. Credentialing remains one of the top priorities for many providers at ECC/ SRCC and most providers throughout the panhandle, for the aging out client into the new transition health navigation model. Pat has asked Jane and Glenda to look at past data, so the group can get a real idea of the depth of the numbers in this specific population. Janet Hess agreed during the discussion that is critical to have clarifications and a policy in place, as other HATS programs continue to want to work closer with the FQHC's in their state regions.	Continue to monitor new directives from Tallahassee and share with coalition members with follow-up at next mtg.

WALTON AND BAY COUNTY OFFICE UPDATES	<p>Glenda Thomas, Director reported again to the members of the many unknowns facing providers and client services due to the changes in the many pay sources, integrated care systems, etc. Jane Gonzalez confirmed the unfilled positions from budgetary reductions and staff retirement has placed a burden on many of the staff and partnering agencies., county health departments, school health fairs,etc. Efforts continue to build new coalition members and Stephanie Woods stated that the new administrator of DOH-Bay Co., has expressed a strong interest in becoming an active member of the coalition.</p> <p>He will be invited to our next mtg. Pat Dunn shared she has been back in contact with Jennifer Carter, Assistant Dir. of Nursing at DOH-Escambia. Jennifer was out of town for this meeting but we are hoping she can once again become an active member.</p>	<p>Information and Discussion Follow up contact to DOD-Bay County will be made</p>
STATEWIDE CHANGES UPDATES	<p>Janet Hess was able to share with the group that many of the FloridaHATS printed materials are in the process of being updated/reprinted and she will be sending copies to all CMS offices. Given the small surplus monies from this year's budget, Janet was also able to purchase banners for each of the coalitions. A PanhandleHATS banner has been sent to Denise Adams (SHH). The banners are colorful, informative and light weight to take to numerous events. Janet encouraged our members to go to the website and review some of the activities being done by other coalitions, particularly HillsboroughHATS new "Ask Them 3!" post card. Janet also shared significant efforts being made to establish a new coalition Miami/Dade area (2013-2014).A number of other activities are planned for the coming year, including promoting the CMS MOA with FQHCs, redesigning educational training modules for CME's, etc.</p>	<p>Information and Discussion Updates to be provided as new programs, webinars are scheduled</p>
OTHER PANHANDLEHATS COALITION ACTIVITIES	<p>Other discussion focused on outreach in the PanhandleHATS area to physicians. Pat Dunn, Glenda Thomas and Denise Adams from Sacred Heart had spent many hours on trying to coordinate a "lunch and learn" for the physicians specifically but not limited to Escambia and Santa Rosa physicians. After much discussion and given Dr. Rex Northup's very limited June schedule it was decided to look into other venues to educate and solicit help from physician specialists for the complex needs of the aging out client/patients. Pat Dunn and Denise Adams have scheduled a meeting with Denise Barton, VP at SHHS to get her feedback and suggestions. It was once again discussed by the members that the lack of the traditional health fairs in our counties has impacted the opportunity to inform and educate teachers, counselors, and parents regarding services.</p>	<p>Information and Discussion Group agreed to revisit hospital avenues to reach physicians. New efforts to contact school officials when the 2013 school begins.</p>
ANNOUNCEMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rita Icenoogle for 2.1.1 was unable to attend but she did send Pat Dunn an update stating work continues in building new financial partners throughout the panhandle. Mini-grants have also been submitted. She expressed more positive feedback and is more optimistic than in the past. Rita remains a valuable coalition members as 2.1.1. grows throughout the panhandle and she can assist us on updates on new services or service reductions for our clients and families. • Pat Dunn reminded the state mandate to have a family member to serve as a consumer on the coalition. She has asked Jane Gonzalez from CMS and Bobbi Hoffman, BSW from FQHC to be exploring potential consumers. • Pat Dunn reminded the members our Action Plan needs to be reviewed and updated. The group agreed to have a working meeting on Wednesday, August 21 from 3:00pm-5:00pm. Members encouraged to review information from the other collations that may work in our area prior to the August 21, 2013 meeting. 	<p>Information and Discussion Jane Gonzalez, RN-CMS and Bobbi Hoffman, BSW-FQHC to follow up and report back to coalition</p>

CLOSING	There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. Networking continued to 5:10pm among many of the members. The next PanhandleHATS meeting Wednesday, August 21, 2013 to address and update Action Plan. (CMS Pensacola Board Room) .	
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