

August 2nd, 2017 (Regular)

**BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
REGULAR MEETING**

The Burke County Board of Health met in regular session on Wednesday, August 2nd, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held In Conference Room No. H-69 of the Human Resource Center, located at 700 East Parker Road in Morganton, North Carolina. Members present were:

PRESENT: Sam King-Chairman
Susan Bingham-Vice Chairman
Carol Ervin Largent
Johnnie Carswell
Dr. Thomas Wallrichs
Dr. Gresham Orrison
Melinda Zimmerman

ABSENT: Adrianna Morrison
Dr. Natalie W. Whitaker
Dr. Michael Gould

ALSO, PRESENT: Rebecca McLeod, Health Director
Cathy Pritchard, Assistant Health Director
Missy Estep, Administrative Assistant III
Gloria Etters, RN

CALL TO ORDER

Sam King called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no one to address the Board.

RECOGNITION

Sam King, Chairman, expressed his condolences on the passing of Richard Garrison, Burke County Public Health Board Member. Sam asked for a moment of prayer. Rebecca recommended a tree be planted at the health department in remembrance of Richard. Rebecca will contact Kay to see if it will be permissible.

PRESENTATION

Gloria Etters, R.N./Supervisor of CC4C/OBCM Care Management Programs was asked to present for the Burke County Board of Health. Gloria explained the CC4C/PCM Data Dashboard data distributed to board members which consisted of charts and graphs outlining step-by-step protocol for each program. Care Coordination for Children (CC4C) serves children from birth to five years of age who meet certain risk criteria. The main goals of the program are to improve health outcomes and reduce costs for enrolled children. Medicaid and non-Medicaid clients get quality care at the lowest cost possible. Each child is linked to a Medical Home and a care manager. Most care managers are housed in the health departments. CC4C recently hired its first social worker to fill the position left open by a nurse to meet the requirement of an interdisciplinary team. This program works closely with the providers' offices. One of our care managers is embedded at Mountain View Pediatrics and has access to electronic patient records. Gloria up-dated the committee on the DSS Foster Care

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Initiative that targets moms and babies with opioid addiction. Our local DSS, the hospital, and health department are working together to combat the opioid crisis. If the hospital has a patient that either admits to substance use during pregnancy or has a positive urine drug screen, they call DSS and DSS will make a referral to the CC4C care manager.

Pregnancy Care Manager's (PCM) role is to improve the quality of maternity care, birth outcomes and provide continuity of care. All Burke county OB providers are Pregnancy Medical Homes, including the health department. By signing a contract with Community Care of NC, they agree to provide standardized care and in turn they get monetary incentives.

FOR DISCUSSION:

Rebecca brought board up-to-date on health department programs and gave detailed information on what is happening with State and Federal budget cuts. Rebecca went to commissioners to ask for the \$15,314 MCH budget reduction to be taken out of this year's budget. She explained to board members that she looks for other funding to keep programs flourishing, and had a plan if this funding opportunity has not been successful with the commissioners. The commissioners have left the request on consent agenda, which means that the health department will receive the one-time funding.

Rebecca reported that CureMD transition is moving forward. The department will go live in September and staff is working diligently to make sure the transition will go as smooth as possible.

The Board of Health's designee for the Animal Advisory Board is Amy Burnette, Office Manager at Environmental Health. She volunteered to be on the Board on behalf of the Board of Health. The first Animal Advisory Board meeting will be in August. Amy will report back to the board after the meetings to keep members abreast of actions.

DECISION ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

With no changes to June 7th, 2017 meeting minutes, the minutes were unanimously approved following a motion and second.

Motion: To approve the regular Board of Health meeting minutes of June 7th, 2017 (Regular meeting).

RESULT:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Melinda Zimmerman
SECONDER:	Carol Ervin Largent
AYES:	Susan Bingham, Johnnie Carswell, Dr. Gresham Orrison, Sam King, Melinda Zimmerman, Carol Largent, and Dr. Thomas Wallrichs
ABSENT:	Dr. Michael Gould, Dr. Natalie Whitaker, and Adriana Morrison

Burke County Health Department Electronic Records and Imaging Policy

The Imaging Policy has been re-written to be specific with the vendor we have chosen for our Electronic Health Record which is CureMD. The policy is ready to be approved by the Board of Health and then it will be sent to the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources in Raleigh for approval.

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Motion: To approve the Burke County Health Department Electronic Records and Imaging Policy for 2017.

RESULT:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Dr. Thomas Wallrichs
SECONDER:	Dr. Gresham Orrison
AYES:	Susan Bingham, Johnnie Carswell, Carol Ervin Largent, Melinda Zimmerman, Dr. Thomas Wallrichs, Dr. Orrison, and Sam King
ABSENT:	Dr. Michael Gould, Dr. Natalie Whitaker, and Adriana Morrison

Health Directors Comments:

Rebecca informed the Board that it has been a very busy time, working with the budget year on the shortfall as well as working with the new Electronic Health Record to be sure that we have little to no problems going forward, especially with billing.

Rebecca also said everything with the community engagement process, Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership is going well. Lisa Moore is moving the group forward in establishing the action plans that the community and health department will work with for the next three years.

Dr. Orrison says the Board can put political pressure on legislators to help public health with funding. He asked Rebecca to direct the Board in what to ask for when there is a need. He stated it will mean more coming from someone with no vested interest other than wanting to help keep Public's health sustainable. Dr. Orrison said he will be glad to call and talk with our representatives about funding, and if they are not interested in helping, his support will go to someone else. He says he would be happy to talk with Warren Daniel about Health Department funding. Rebecca says the health department is good for this year, but may need help in the future. Rebecca stated she has contacted all pertinent State and Federal representatives over the last few years as needed and so have Board of Health members when she has asked. She assured the Board that she would ask for their help in the future as needed to contact legislators.

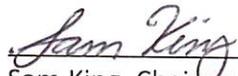
CLOSED SESSION:

A closed session was not needed.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Sam King, adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Approved this the 2nd, day of August 2017.



Sam King, Chairman
Burke County Board of Health

Attest:



Rebecca McLeod, Health Director
Burke County Health Department