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| ***IMMUNIZATION TASK FORCE METRO OMAHA*** |  |

**Steering Committee Minutes**

**Friday May 3, 2013**

**7:30-9:00 AM**

**MOMS Conference Room**

**Tower Professional Park, 7906 Davenport Street**

**Introductions**

**Members Present:** Sharon Plummer, Michelle Hokanson, Jude Dean, Patsy Nowatzke, Sharon Wade, Laura Klug, Georganna Felt, Archana Chatterjee, Bridget Rolenc, Michael Owens, Tracey Ginger, Pauli Nejezchleb, Micaila Ruiz

**Members Absent:** Linda Ohri, Katie O’Keefe, Jane McGinty, Pat O’Hanlon, Cathy Carrico

**Announcements:**

Vicki Sunderman resigned as Chair but has agreed to assist with the Committee. The Steering committee expressed their gratitude for the fine job Vicki has done, and asked her assistance with interim and re-organizing this Committee with very large responsibilities. This will be presented at the Quarterly Meeting and a new Chair(s) elected.

Dr. Archana Chatterjee has resigned from the committee; discussed Archie’s replacement. Archie has spoken to Dr. Shirley Delair, a Pediatric Infectious Disease physician from UNMC. Patsy will forward the membership list and by-laws to her for consideration. The committee also discussed possibly having a dual infectious disease physician to address adult needs. Dr. Rudy Kotula was mentioned who is a private practice Adult Infectious Disease physician who practices at Methodist Hospital and is a member of the task force. If we proceed with this the by-laws will need to be modified.

**Minutes** from the April 5, 2013 meeting presented and approved

**Treasury Report**

Debit: No expenses this month

Balance: $11,113.78

**Committee Reports:**

*Community Affairs:*

Alicia Vanden Bosch, Bridget Rolenc, Linda Ohri and about 8 pharmacy student volunteers vaccinated about 33 individuals at the Mexican Consulate with TdaP on Monday, April 22nd.   Pat O’Hanlon donated the vaccine and supplies from One World, and Linda, AmeriCares and One World will maintain the vaccine records.

Pottawattamie County School event last weekend, 15 screenings done, about 192 children went through.

A permanent display for health fairs is being considered. A logo with the task force website could be developed to handout at events.

Parish Nurses are interested in the speaker’s bureau to come in to present to the community.

*Professional Affairs:* (Chairs-Cathy Carrico and Katie O’Keefe).

Cathy and Katie were unable to attend.

Conference with the CDC is scheduled for June 12 and 13, 2013. The brochure has been distributed. The conference area was done.

*Legislative Advocacy:* (Chair-Linda Ohri)

Linda was unable to attend the meeting but has sent her updates.

Status of Bills before Legislature:

1. LB 458 – Tdap vaccinations offered to HCPs (no mandate to receive) in general acute hospitals only – in final reading; no fiscal impact claimed.
2. LB 459 –   In order to prevent, detect, and control. 7 diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis in Nebraska, each general acute. 8 hospital, intermediate care facility, nursing facility, and skilled 9 nursing facility shall offer onsite vaccinations for diphtheria, 10 tetanus and pertussis to all residents and to all inpatients prior 11 to discharge  
   - Only applies to patients; does not address HCP immunizations at these other facilities – In final reading; Fiscal impact considered reasonable/limited
3. LB 460 - Requires a booster meningococcal conjugate vaccine for students at 7th grade and at age 16. Introduced, but no further action noted at this time; does not appear to have come out of committee. Fiscal note claims total costs to Ne H & HS of $279,156 in 2013-14 year and $287,529 in 2014-15 year.    NOTE:  The bill does not anticipate the requirement going into effect until after 7/1/14

*Website:* (Chair-Sharon Plummer)

The website is about ready to go live. There are just a few details left to iron out with Chip Thompson. We hope to be live by mid May. There was a clitch with the license of the URL which will be the same <http://immunizenebraska..org>**.** This should be resolved in the next couple of weeks.

Sharon had arranged a orientation meeting with the website committee and the other committee chairs (or approved delegates) to meet with Chip Thompson and train on the Word Press software. Unfortunately Chip was ill and Sharon will re-schedule; probably after school is out.

**Other Business**

Next meeting scheduled for June7, 2013, from 7:30 to 9:00 AM at the Metro Omaha Medical Society (MOMS) office at 79th and Davenport.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patsy Nowatzke

Metro Omaha Immunization Task Force