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Quarterly Meeting Minutes

August 21, 2013

 7:30 – 9:00 AM

Methodist Hospital in the Nebraska Room

Meeting called to order at 7:30 AM by Chair Laura Klug

Thanks to Libby Henning and Methodist Hospital for providing the room and coffee

**Introductions**

**Announcement:** None

**Minutes:** The May 2013 minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Treasury Report:**

Expenses: Going away gift for Dr. Chatterjee $79.17

 Print Ovations, LLC for ITF Magnets $190.71

 Printing cost for Task force Poster $91.67

 Grant Award for Pertussis Research $180.00

 Grant Award for Adult Immunization Rates $300

Deposits: None

Balance: $10,272.23

**Committee Reports:**

**Community Affairs: (Chair: Georgiana Felt)**

1. Georgiana has agreed to become the committee chair. She has developed a sign-in sheet for the next year for members to sign up to attend throughout the next year.
2. Discussed the Bi-National Health Fairs in October.
3. August is “National Immunization Awareness Month", Sharon is working on getting Governor to do a proclamation for the State of Nebraska.

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

Neither Cathy nor Katie was available but the following report was sent.

1. Immunize Nebraska (10th Annual) was a wonderful success, the task force earned $5805.10 for the ITF.
2. Two small monetary grants for DNP student projects, the results will be reported back to the ITF. Cathy and Katie will be developing a Formal Grant Application.
3. The committee will be having the first planning meeting on August 28 for the 11th Annual Immunize Nebraska Conference. The tentative date is June 6, 2014 and we would like any suggestions sent on to Katie O’Keefe at kokeefe@creighton.edu we will have Archie Chatterjee as a speaker on Vaccine Updates. Other topics are being considered.
4. We will be working on the Web Site (Professional “Tab”) as soon as we are trained.

**Legislative: (Chair: Linda Ohri)**

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. Passed and signed by the governor.
2. LB 459 –   In order to prevent, detect and control diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis in Nebraska, each general acute. hospital, intermediate care facility, nursing facility, and skilled nursing facility shall offer onsite vaccinations for diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis to all residents and to all inpatients prior to discharge
- Only applies to patients; does not address HCP immunizations at these other facilities – In final reading; Fiscal impact considered reasonable/limited. Passed and signed by the governor.
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 but may be brought to committee next year. 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.

HPV report in MMWR in July provides evidence of vaccination rate and results as related to disease. The US rates of teenager is low, with a vaccination rate of 53% received 1 dose with no increase in rates with teenagers last year. Only 33% have all 3 doses. 50% decrease in HPV disease in the 1st four years after vaccine licensed. Also decrease in genital warts. Actions suggestions: 1) Provider encouragement of vaccine administration; 2) Missed opportunities.

Lorie Howell reports that the teenage rates of vaccines will be reported August 29, 2013

**WEBSITE Report:**

1. Web site is active. The URL will remain [http://immunizenebraska.org/](http://immunizenebraska.org/%20)
2. Working with Chip to get training modules so the web will be up to date with task force information.

**NESIIS Report: (Michelle Hood)**

Michelle was unable to attend the meeting today. Michelle will prepare a report for November.

**Presentation:** Andrea Riley presented on the program called the “Shot@Life”

**Next meeting** scheduled November 20, 2013, 7:30 to 9:00 AM at Methodist Hospital in the Nebraska Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patsy Nowatzke

Secretary, Metro Omaha Immunization Task Force