

## Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition

Access to Care Work Group Meeting  
October 16, 2018, 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  
Barton A&B

### Minutes

#### Members Present:

Nicole Becerra, OAI  
Miriam Bennett, DCRS  
Tara Butler, HGGH  
Shanika Cooper, HCHD  
Wendy Farthing, MAC Inc.  
Pat Gussio, HCAM  
Vanda Lerdboon, HCHD

Elizabeth Menachery, HCHD  
Mayur Mody, American Diversity Group  
Maura Rossman, HCHD  
Kerrie Wagaman, HCPSS  
Pamela Williams, Chase Brexton  
Linda Zumbrun, HC DSS

#### Guests Present:

Joi Johnson-Weaver, Resolve MD: Direct Primary Care  
Sidney Nelson, One World Healthcare  
Ofundem Nokuri, Premier Health Express

#### Staff Present:

Sharif Braxton, HCLHIC Program Coordinator  
Lauren Williams, HCLHIC Program Coordinator

| Topic/Agenda                                 | Discussion  | Action/Follow-up  |
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| <b>Welcome and Introductions</b>             | Sharif Braxton called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.<br>Mr. Braxton shared that the meeting would be recorded for use in producing minutes.<br><br>Participants and guests introduced themselves.   |   |
| <b>Approval of Minutes and Announcements</b> | Members were asked to share any announcements from their organizations.<br><br>Group members shared announcements about upcoming programs and activities.<br><br>Pat Gussio shared that the Open Enrollment Period for 2019 Health Insurance Benefits opens Nov. 1 and runs until December 15. Due to Waiver 1332 being recently approved in legislature, marketplace insurance prices will not drastically increase and creates an opportunity for | Minutes from the previous meeting will be available one week prior to the next meeting date at <a href="http://www.hclhic.org/membership/meeting-portal">http://www.hclhic.org/membership/meeting-portal</a> .<br><br>Group members are encouraged to provide event information for inclusion on the HCLHIC |

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|   | <p>more insurers to join the market in the future. Ms. Gussio added that it will be important to spread the word concerning this waver so that consumers don't avoid enrolling, fearing high prices.</p> <p>Tara Butler shared that the Howard County Office on Aging and Independence were holding their annual 50+ Expo on Friday, October 19 at Wilde Lake High School. Dr. Jackie Douge shared that the Bureau of Child Health is holding a parent conference focusing on sexual health among youth on November 20<sup>th</sup>. More details and marketing materials will be shared once they become available.</p> <p>Sharif Braxton shared these additional upcoming events and/or announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Chronic Pain Self-Management Class</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Premier Health Express Urgent Care Health Fair</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">STI Update: Addressing Adolescent Sexual Health CME Breakfast</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Addressing Racial Trauma</a></li> </ul>  | <p>website and to visit the site for information on upcoming events: <a href="http://www.hclhic.org/news-events/lhic-and-partner-events/month.calendar/">http://www.hclhic.org/news-events/lhic-and-partner-events/month.calendar/</a>. To request an event be added to the HCLHIC Community calendar contact <a href="mailto:lhic@howardcountymd.gov">lhic@howardcountymd.gov</a>.</p> |
| <p><b>Review of FY 19 Asthma Objectives and Progress.</b></p> | <p>Sharif Braxton shared the two major priorities the work group seeks to accomplish by June 30, 2019 related to asthma outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participation in evidenced based asthma education for priority populations will be increased by 5%</li> <li>• Asthma-related services/ awareness messages included in 4 action alerts</li> </ul> <p>Following this review, Kerrie Wagaman shared progress related to the Howard County Public School System:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asthma information and medication pages have been proposed and are pending approval on the HCPSS Health webpage. Asthma Action Plans can now be downloaded from the HCPSS website for parents to take to their child's physician.</li> <li>• When standing orders are received for inhalers or nebulizers, AAPs are attached and sent to the physician. These standing orders are for frequent flyers only.</li> <li>• For children that are recommended to take 2 puffs of an inhaler prior to PE or recess, nursing staff are also encouraging the completion of an Asthma Action Plan.</li> </ul> | <p>The idea was proposed to explore adding CDSME courses on the website and target parents as the caregivers of children with asthma. The suggestion was also made to post the curriculum for this class online for parents to determine the appropriateness of the class for managing their child's asthma.</p>  |

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| <p><b>Asthma Action Plan Implementation Discussion</b></p> | <p>The work group discussed a new section to be added to the MSDE Asthma Action Plan:</p> <p><i>"I authorize the administration of the medications as ordered above and the disclosure and exchange information necessary to coordinate my child's treatment and service between the authorizing provider and school nurse.</i></p> <p>The goal of this conversation was:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensuring that the wording of the consent is clear to parents</li> <li>2. Ensuring the wording of the consent is legally effective at allowing case management/information sharing between physicians and school staff.</li> <li>3. Determining if there are procedural barriers in the clinic to implement.</li> <li>4. Determining if there would be barriers to engaging parents to sign the consent for their child.</li> <li>5. Ensuring that the case management/information sharing occurs.</li> </ol> <p>Attendees were asked to answer the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Looking at the modified MSDE asthma action plan, is the wording legally appropriate and understandable to the lay public?</li> <li>2. Thinking of your clinic flow and procedures with patients, do you see any barriers to implementation (e.g. time needed to explain new consent component, etc.)</li> <li>3. What types of supports or strategies would need to be put into place to overcome your practice barriers? (Change in clinic SOPs, etc.)</li> <li>4. Thinking of your patient population, do you see any barriers to implementation (e.g. distrust, etc.)</li> <li>5. What types of supports or strategies would need to be put into place to overcome your patient-specific barriers? (Production of educational materials, etc.)</li> </ol> | <p>Sharif Braxton will follow-up by compiling the responses to the questions to the discussion. These responses will be used to modify the authorization and an updated version will be sent out with a SurveyMonkey to gain additional feedback. The information from these responses will help guide conversation within the Asthma Action Group that will be reconvened in November.</p> |
| <p><b>Wrap Up and Adjournment</b></p>                      | <p>The work group meeting was adjourned at 10:31 am</p>  |   |

**Future Meeting Dates:**

**Work Group**

February 19, 2018; 9:00 – 10:30 am – Barton A & B

May 21, 2019; 9:00 – 10:30 am – Barton A & B

**FULL HCLHIC**

January 24, 2019; 8:30 am – 10:30 am (TBD)

April 25, 2019; 8:30 am – 10:30 am (TBD)

June 27, 2019; 8:30 am – 10:30 am (TBD)

Respectfully submitted by  
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