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Access to Care Work Group Meeting  
 November 15, 2017 – 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  
 Potomac

**Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Bob Anatua, Build Haiti Foundation  
 Miriam Bennett, DCRS  
 Katie Collins-Irhke, ARI  
 Shanika Cooper, HCHD  
 Alyse Cooper, HCHD

Brian England, British American Auto Care  
 Wendy Farthing, MAC Inc  
 Pat Gussio, The Door to Healthcare/HCAM  
 Pamela Williams, Chase Brexton  
 Linda Zumbrun, HC DSS

**Guests Present:**

Ingrid Méndez-Brower, HCHD

**Staff Present:**

Sharif Braxton, HCLHIC Program Coordinator  
 Mary Wahl, HCLHIC Program Manager  
 Lauren Williams, HCLHIC Program Coordinator

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	Sharif Braxton called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.  Participants and guests introduced themselves.	
<b>Approval of Minutes and Announcements</b>	Sharif Braxton shared that the work group meeting would be recorded for production of minutes.  Sharif Braxton provided a re-cap from the October 18, 2017 meeting and asked for any corrections to the minutes from that meeting. No corrections or edits were offered. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Wendy Farthing and seconded by Linda	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> .  Group members are encouraged to provide event information for inclusion on the HCLHIC 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

	<p>Zumbrun.</p> <p>Members were asked to share any announcements from their organizations.</p>	<p>calendar contact <a href="mailto:lhic@howardcountymd.gov">lhic@howardcountymd.gov</a>.</p> <p>Pat Gussio, of Health Care Access Maryland informed the group that the Open Enrollment period (Nov. 1 – Dec. 15) is underway. She also stated that, due to new changes by the federal government, there’s been a price increase in the Silver plans offered on the Marketplace. However, this may increase the assistance an applicant receives. Additionally, many Gold level plans may be cheaper than their Silver counterparts, so this is another method of cost saving. Pat Gussio also suggested that, if Marketplace prices were too expensive, an individual could go directly to a broker or the insurance company itself. If you would like information regarding this, please contact Pat Gussio at <a href="mailto:pgussio@hcamaryland.org">pgussio@hcamaryland.org</a></p> <p>Miriam Bennett of the Department of Community Resources and Services shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The previous dental screening and services fairs were largely successful. Over 450 people were engaged in total. There were over 100 cleanings performed and over 320 treatments provided. Due to the success of the event, Quinton Askew of DCRS is planning to partner with HOPE for Tomorrow to hold another larger dental event March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The event will have a capacity of 350 people that can receive cleaning and treatment services. If you would like to be a part of the planning committee, please contact Quinton Askew at <a href="mailto:gaskew@howardcountymd.gov">gaskew@howardcountymd.gov</a></li> <li>• The Howard County Commission for Women has 5 open seats and is looking for interested individuals to join.</li> </ul> <p>Wendy Farthing of MAC Inc. shared that there is a new evidence-based training, “Stepping Up to Nutrition,” being offered in Annapolis for free (via grant funding). This class meant to function as a session zero feeding course into the Chronic</p>
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<b>Strategic Planning Discussion:</b>	<p>Mary Wahl led the discussion on the update of the developed goals, process objectives and baseline data needs for the FY18-20 Action Plan. This discussion was a continuation of the ongoing strategic planning process. Coalition members were then broken into groups to work through Access and Education related implementation items for the Access to Care Strategic Planning strategies.</p>	<p>Coalition members shared perspectives on priorities and tactics. Member organizations will be contacted as needed to acquire baseline data of evidence-based programs offered in the community.</p> <p>The group was asked to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Submit any additional information for program matrix to <a href="mailto:kkesler@howardcountymd.gov">kkesler@howardcountymd.gov</a> by 12/15/17</li> <li>2. Send feedback or concerns on the baseline data/benchmarks to <a href="mailto:kkesler@howardcountymd.gov">kkesler@howardcountymd.gov</a> by 12/15/17</li> <li>3. Utilize monthly Communication Action Alert tool with #hclhic hashtag for tracking</li> </ol>
<b>Wrap Up and Adjournment</b>	The full workgroup meeting was adjourned at 10:33 am	

**Work Group**

February 14, 2018      9:00- 10:30 am, Barton A & B  
 March 14, 2018      9:00- 10:30 am, Barton A & B  
 May 16, 2018        9:00- 10:30 am, Barton A & B

**FULL HCLHIC**

January 25, 2018      8:30-10:30 am Susquehanna

Respectfully submitted by  
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