

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, February 10, 2016 - 5:00 p.m. 5th Floor Board Room

PRESENT:

Jennifer R. Dollar, M.D., Nicole Redmond, M.D., PhD, MPH, Max Michael,

III, M.D., Joshua Miller, D.O., Yocunda Clayton, M.D., and Commissioner

Jimmie Stephens

OTHERS

PRESENT:

Mark Wilson, M.D., Carolyn Dobbs, M.D., Toni Bellina, Kim Cason, Carley

Ezzell, Jason Harpe, Heather Hogue, Rodney Holmes, David Maxey, Esq., Chris Osborne, Jonathan Stanton, Alan Truitt, Esq., and Denisa Pridmore

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Redmond, Chair.

Minutes

Minutes of the January 13, 2016 meeting were approved as distributed.

2015 Audit Report

Jason Harpe, Partner, Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLP presented the Department's 2015 audit report. The Department's Governmental Fund balance sheet reports approximately \$33 million in the fund balance and \$16 million of this is unassigned. Mr. Harpe reminded the Board that the \$49 million net pension liability has been added to the balance sheet this year as a long term liability. Some JCDH employees remain in the City of Birmingham Pension Plan which is \$4.5 million overfunded and is reflected in the assets. He noted there will be changes this upcoming year for audits on Federal grants. Work sessions have been conducted to familiarize JCDH staff with the procedures.

Dr. Wilson stated that audited JCDH financial statements are on its website for the public's information. Dr. Wilson noted the JCDH Code of Professional Conduct and Business Ethics policy was updated in October 2015 and includes a section pertaining to meeting participants being aware of electronically recorded meetings. Since all Board members are present today, this will serve as notification that Board of Health meetings will be electronically recorded.

Carley Ezzell, Manager, Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLP reviewed the required communication to the Board that is located at the end of the Audit Report.

The Board unanimously accepted the 2015 Audit Report.

Financial Statement

Mr. Rodney Holmes, Director of Finance & Administration, discussed the January 2016 Financial Report. A motion to accept the financial report was made, seconded and approved.

Contracts

On the motion of Dr. Miller, and seconded by Commissioner Stephens, the following contracts were approved with Dr. Redmond and Dr. Michael abstaining from the first contract with UAB:

Renewal of a contract with The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama for the University of Alabama at Birmingham (payee) to establish an agreement with the Division of Infectious Disease at UAB for UAB staff and associates to provide clinical support to JCDH STD Program at a rate not to exceed \$62,000 from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

A new contract with Lewis and Company (payee) for media campaigns to increase awareness of naloxone at a rate not to exceed \$14,383 from February 1, 2016 through March 2, 2016.

Dr. Redmond asked if there was a way to measure the impact of the media campaigns. Chris Osborne, Public Relations Manager, stated the statistics and metrics are typically available from the media companies and ad agencies following the campaigns, in addition to JCDH's in-house software.

A new contract with Summit Media, LLC (payee) to provide a media campaign for influenza vaccine promotion at a rate not to exceed \$3,255 from November 20, 2015 through December 4, 2015.

A new contract with Summit Media, LLC (payee) to provide a media campaign for flu vaccinations at a rate not to exceed \$13,000 from December 29, 2015 through February 2, 2016.

Renewal of a contract with Spain-Gillon, LLC (payee) to provide legal services to JCDH at a rate of \$145-\$175/hour for legal services and \$65/hour for paralegal services from March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2017.

A new contract with Clarus Consulting Group (payee) to develop goals and strategies for Clinical Services Leadership staff for maximizing professional success through coaching at a rate of \$250/hour; not to exceed \$5,000 from January 27, 2016 through September 30, 2016.

New contracts with Aisha T. Prewitt, Danica Davis and Armeatrice Coleman (payees) to provide telephone support for breast feeding eligible WIC participants at rate of \$10.19 per hour; not to exceed \$11,000 from February 1, 2016 through February 1, 2017.

Dr. Clayton asked if the Breast Feeding Peer Counseling Program was effective and what is the racial make-up of its recipients. Dr. Wilson will get more information on the program and let her know.

A new contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health, Bureau of Family Health Services, WIC Division, (payor) to establish a mutual agreement between ADPH and JCDH for a Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants & Children in Jefferson County at a rate not to exceed \$2,626,552 from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

A new contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to provide early detection of colorectal cancer in men and women in Alabama at a rate not to exceed \$75,000 from October 1, 2015 through June 29, 2016.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to conduct STD case investigations by funding Disease Intervention Specialist and to support clinical staff in Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project Program at a rate not to exceed \$92,587 from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to conduct STD case investigations by funding Disease Control Intervention Specialist to conduct case management to ensure STD clients are treated according to CDC guidelines at a rate not to exceed \$112,500 from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

A new contract with The Birmingham Barons (payor) for the Board to grant a non-assignable license to use the licensed property as a passenger vehicle parking area only by the Barons patrons for the 2016 post and regular baseball season. Barons shall pay Board a license fee equal to the net revenue generated by patron parking in the licensed property from April 12, 2016 through November 14, 2016.

Credentialing

Dr. Wilson presented the following credentials report: Initial credentialing for Guy B. Dewees, III, M.D., as an Appointed Physician in Clinical Services. The Board unanimously approved the Credentials Report.

Health Officer Report

Naloxone Clinic

Dr. Wilson discussed the media campaign to increase awareness of naloxone. The JCDH naloxone clinic continues to have low attendance so after the media campaign is completed, an assessment will be made to determine what impact the campaign had on attendance. Outreach to community groups such as treatment centers are being conducted to train staff and clients who are drug addicts. Standing Orders for naloxone at Jefferson County pharmacies have been completed and we are reaching out to local pharmacies to gauge their willingness to participate.

Zika Virus

Dr. Wilson announced that the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) has activated Incident Command System (ICS) to provide daily updates on the Zika virus. JCDH staff will be participating in the calls to monitor the situation. The first confirmed case of the Zika virus in Alabama has been reported in Morgan County.

JCDH will be working on a campaign to provide information to residents of Jefferson County as the warmer weather arrives to increase their awareness of standing water on their property and help prevent mosquito-borne illnesses. Commissioner Stephens noted the County had extra mosquito control products from a campaign several years ago and could possibly partner with JCDH on this effort.

Health Action Partnership (HAP) Annual Meeting

Dr. Wilson reported that the annual Health Action Partnership meeting was held today. The theme was Equitable Approaches to Creating Healthy Communities. Dr. Monica Baskin of UAB School of Preventative Medicine gave a Health Equity Orientation presentation and shared a new educational video developed specifically for Jefferson County. The HAP

Health Equity Priority Group, led by Dr. Baskin, is in the process of developing an in-depth two hour training, as well as a two day training for organizations who are interested.

Medicaid Transformation

Dr. Wilson discussed an announcement made yesterday by Governor Robert Bentley that the state has received a waiver from the federal government that will allow Alabama to deliver Medicaid services in a different manner. The waiver allows the state to transition from a feefor-service model to one closer to managed care through regional care organizations (RCOs). RCOs are locally led managed care systems that provide healthcare services to most Medicaid enrollees at an established cost under the supervision and approval of the Alabama Medicaid Agency. JCDH continues to prepare to contract with at least one of the local RCOs.

Policy Development

Dr. Wilson stated that Bryn Manzella, Director of Quality Improvement, has helped develop a document for policy guidelines to assist JCDH with developing and promoting policies. A decision was made to adopt the CDC's policy process tool. Dr. Wilson noted we are in the process of condensing the document, but in the meantime, he will send the draft to the Board members for their review.

Strategic Plan

Dr. Wilson reported that the Executive Management Team conducted its annual review of the Strategic Plan in December 2015 and he will be sending it to the Board members. The planning process for the 2017-2021 JCDH Strategic Plan has started with Clarus Consulting.

Communication on Board of Health Members

Dr. Wilson noted that he shares information on new Board of Health members with JCDH staff. He asked if the Board would send us a short bio and an electronic picture for posting on our website or future internal JCDH newsletters.

Executive Session

Mr. Alan Truitt, Esq., legal counsel for the Board of Health representing them in the GASP vs. Jefferson County Board of Health, Civil Action #01-CV-2015-902278 in the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, stated a ruling has been received in this matter and had been sent to each Board member. Mr. Truitt stated that an Executive Session is appropriate for the Board to discuss the legal options with him for this pending litigation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stephens, and seconded by Dr. Dollar, that an Executive Session be convened to discuss with the Board's legal counsel the ramifications of the Circuit Court's ruling and the Board's options in response to the ruling. Voting "yes" individually: Dr. Redmond, Dr. Dollar, Dr. Miller, Dr. Michael, Dr. Clayton and Commissioner Stephens.

The Board of Health meeting was recessed at 5:40 p.m. Dr. Redmond stated the meeting would reconvene in approximately 10 minutes.

The Board of Health meeting reconvened at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Dr. Redmond, Dr. Dollar, Dr. Michael, Dr. Clayton and Commissioner Stephens. Dr. Redmond noted that Dr. Miller had to excuse himself during the Executive Session for a prior engagement but a quorum was still present.

On the motion of Commissioner Stephens, and seconded by Dr. Clayton, the Board of Health will follow their attorney's advice and appeal the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals the pending GASP litigation. Voting "yes" individually: Dr. Redmond, Dr. Dollar, Dr. Michael, Dr. Clayton, and Commissioner Stephens.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Yocunda Clayton, M.D., Secretary

Approved:

Nicole Redmond, M.D., Ph.D., MPH, Chair-