



JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, October 11, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.
5th Floor Board Room

PRESENT: Max Michael, III, M.D., Joshua Miller, D.O., Yocunda Clayton, M.D., and Sylvie Stacy, M.D.

ABSENT: Commissioner Jimmie Stephens and Hernando Carter, M.D.

OTHERS

PRESENT: Mark E. Wilson, M.D., David Hicks, D.O., Rodney Holmes, Ed Khan, M.D., Bryn Manzella, David Maxey, Esq., Lori McManus, Justin Russell, Brittany Sanders, DNP, Brandy Tanner, and Denisa Pridmore

Call to Order

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

Minutes

Minutes of the September 13, 2017 meeting were approved as distributed.

Contracts

On the motion of Dr. Miller, and seconded by Dr. Clayton, the following contracts were approved:

A new bid contract with Argo Building Company, LLC (payee) to provide renovations to the Guy Tate building for a rate not to exceed \$1,855,712 from August 14, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

Renewal of a contract with The Children's Hospital of Alabama (payee) to provide on-call services for JCDH that will be handled by Registered Nurses at a rate of \$14 per call (estimate 5,000 calls annually). Calls related to morning appointments will be paid at a reduced rate of \$4.00 each. The term of contract is October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

An amendment to the contract with Human Resource Management, Inc. (payee) for Human Resources technical needs assessment and planning at a rate of \$125 per hour; not to exceed \$30,000 from September 1, 2017 through October 31, 2017.

A new contract with Connection Health (payee) to provide Community Health Worker services as a pilot program for infant mortality at a rate not to exceed \$202,095 for

Fiscal Year 2018; \$212,200 for Fiscal Year 2019, and \$227,266 for Fiscal Year 2020. Term of contract is October 1, 2017 through October 1, 2020, pending Personnel Board approval.

A new contract with Summit Media, LLC (payee) to provide the public with appropriate information on the HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and Hepatitis C Programs at JCDH at a rate not to exceed \$3,250 from October 9, 2017 through October 29, 2017.

A new contract with Summit Media, LLC (payee) to provide the public with educational information on HIV PrEP and Hepatitis C services offered at JCDH during various events coordinated by Summit Media during the Magic City Classic events for a rate not to exceed \$11,250 from October 25, 2017 through October 31, 2017.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Institute for Deaf & Blind, Birmingham Regional Center (payee) to provide interpreting services as needed to JCDH clients at a rate of \$45 per hour; not to exceed \$7,500 annually from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2020.

An amendment to a contract with Global Resource Group (payee) to provide software and device upgrades, along with maintenance to GPS system installed in JCDH vehicles, for a rate of \$110,000 for amendment term/approximately \$34,944 per plan year from June 11, 2017 through June 10, 2020.

A new contract with Tucker-Jones Engineers Associated (payee) to provide slab repair at Guy Tate building for a rate not to exceed \$7,500 from September 5, 2017 through March 5, 2018.

A new contract with TOPS Club, Inc. (payee) to provide Take Off Pounds Sensibly to JCDH staff to include promotional materials to start the chapter; new chapter kit; online & educational materials; and 52-week curriculum for program at a rate of \$56 per individual membership (100 members) plus \$96 initial start-up fee; not to exceed \$5,696 from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

An amendment to a contract with Claudia M. Hardy (payee) for facilitation services for focus groups of residents of Jefferson County housing authorities who are current or former tobacco users. The purpose of the focus groups is to obtain information regarding knowledge of effects of tobacco use and cessation services within the community. The amendment adds two additional focus groups during September and October 2017 for \$500.

Renewal of a contract with the University of Alabama in Huntsville (payee) to provide ongoing operational maintenance and upgrades for the Birmingham Air Quality website, which provides near real-time air quality monitoring data for the Birmingham area for a rate not to exceed \$18,200 from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

Renewal of a contract with Derrick Lewis (payee) to provide security services to JCDH and to coordinate schedule of all contracted sworn officers for JCDH at a rate of \$26 per hour; not to exceed \$67,600 from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

Renewal of the following contracts to provide security services for JCDH at a rate of \$22.50 per hour; not to exceed \$58,500 from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018: Eric Jones, Roger Eady, Gregory Edge, Brandon Lowe, Alton Harville, Derrick M. Lewis, Donna Logan, Michael D. Howard, Jesse Bell, Michael Jeffries, and Ronnie D. Mack.

A new contract with the Jefferson County Board of Education (payee) to repair the walking track at Warrior Elementary School for a rate not to exceed \$84,748 from October 1, 2017 through October 1, 2019.

Renewal of a contract with the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham (payor) for JCDH to produce and issue daily forecasts of particle pollution in Jefferson/Shelby Counties and to facilitate these responsibilities, will enter into contracts for meteorological data subscription services and for maintenance of the Birmingham Air Quality website. JCDH will be reimbursed for those contracts at 80% of expenses. The rate for this agreement shall not exceed \$72,000 from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

An amendment to a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health, Bureau of Family Health Services, WIC Division, (payor) to establish a Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children in Jefferson County at Central, Eastern, Morris and Western Health Centers from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. This amendment increases funding by \$263,304; maximum amount payable under this grant not to exceed \$2,999,684.

STD Program Initiatives

Lori McManus, Disease Intervention Program Manager in STD, and Brittany Sanders, DNP, Clinical Nurse Practitioner, in the Disease Control Specialty Clinic, gave an overview of two new initiatives included in the 2017-2021 Strategic Plan for JCDH this year. JCDH now offers Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) for HIV prevention and expanded testing and treatment of chronic hepatitis C.

Ms. McManus educated the Board on the goals of the STD Program: to prevent disease, to prevent spread, and to prevent complications. PrEP is a single pill regimen that is 92% effective at decreasing HIV infection when taken daily and used with other safer sexual practices. Full access to PrEP for those for whom it is appropriate and desired is part of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy: Updated to 2020.

Dr. Sanders noted JCDH began offering PrEP in January 2017. Dr. Sanders reported patients have been referred to the PrEP Clinics from JCDH STD, Adult Health, or Family Planning Clinics by providers and Disease Intervention Specialists. A new Clinical Nurse Practitioner has been hired in the STD Clinic which will allow JCDH to offer PrEP Clinic services five days per week. Beginning October 1, 2017 JCDH will begin accepting external referrals.

Dr. Sanders gave an overview of the JCDH STD Clinic's pilot for universal opt-out testing for hepatitis C which began on July 24, 2017. Each patient in the STD Clinic is tested for hepatitis C, HIV, and syphilis unless they chose to opt-out. Over 2,696 people have been tested for hepatitis C in the STD Clinic. Hepatitis C treatment services will begin in the Specialty Clinic in October 2017.

2017-2021 JCDH Strategic Plan Quarter 3 Update

Dr. David Hicks, Deputy Health Officer, presented updates for the third quarter of the 2017-2021 Strategic Plan with tactics targeted for the first year of the plan. The four Strategic Plan Priorities include: Scope of Services, Community/Customer Relationship, Culture and People, and Technology and Tools. A total of fifteen tactics have already been completed for 2017 and considerable progress is being made in most areas.

Health Officer Report

Opioid Crisis

Dr. Wilson reported that JCDH and our partners have been awarded three grants to help with the opioid crisis.

- The Alabama Department of Mental Health has won a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant that will help fund the Medication Assisted Treatment Clinic at Cooper Green Mercy Health Services for low income and uninsured people with opioid addiction.
- The Department of Justice has awarded JCDH \$100,000 per year for 3 years to help fund the Recovery Resource Center (RRC). This will be a place where people can get information on addiction recovery resources, in addition to assessments, referral and navigation to addiction treatment. The Birmingham Crisis Center will be running the RRC and providing 24/7 telephone assistance. Several local addiction treatment programs will be providing in kind staffing support. The grant will enhance the RRC effort with active outreach to survivors of opioid overdose and other high risk individuals and their families for overdose prevention and connection to treatment resources, along with technical assistance and program evaluation.
- UAB Department of Psychiatry's Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities (TASC) won a Department of Health and Human Services grant for implementation of the UAB Comprehensive Center for Addiction in Pregnancy (UAB-CCAP). JCDH will be a partner in this endeavor.

"Pills to Needles" Initiative

Dr. Wilson stated the "Pills to Needles" initiative, a community-wide strategy to address the epidemic of heroin overdoses and opioid abuse/addiction in general, will be looking at ways to realign its collaboration around these grants.

Naloxone Supply

Dr. Wilson reported the Alabama Department of Mental Health has received over 5,000 naloxone kits through a Federal Cures Act grant and is working with the state health department to develop a distribution plan.

Mayors' Association

Dr. Wilson noted at a previous Board of Health meeting a suggestion was made for him to meet with the Jefferson County Mayors' Association to inform them of our efforts to address the opioid crisis and the availability of naloxone. He is on the January 2018 agenda to speak to them.

Legislative Agenda

Dr. Wilson stated JCDH will be discussing potential legislation to improve upon the existing Good Samaritan/Naloxone/911 Law to broaden the categories of people who may conduct training on and distribution of naloxone.

Dr. Wilson reported a needle exchange bill has been pre-filed for the upcoming Alabama Legislative Session.

Tobacco Initiatives

Dr. Wilson reported the Alabama Tobacco Task Force, which includes representation from the Alabama Department of Public Health, the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, American Lung Association and the Jefferson County Department of Health, has made the development and adoption of a state-wide smoke-free law related to secondhand smoke exposure its first priority, followed by increasing tax on tobacco products and increasing funding for tobacco use prevention and control activities. Based on available tobacco advocacy resources and strategic considerations from JCDH's partners, Tobacco 21 - legislation designed to increase the minimum age for the purchase of tobacco products to 21 - is not expected to be prioritized for the 2018 Alabama Legislative Session.


Electronic Medical Record (EMR)

Dr. Wilson reported a vendor has been chosen for JCDH's new EMR and we are in contract negotiations. This is not included in the Fiscal Year 2018 budget so we will be coming back to the Board with a budget amendment at some point.

Communal Living Regulations

Dr. Wilson stated the Department's Communal Living Regulations will be updated over the next several months. We will obtain input from internal and external stakeholders and bring a recommendation to the Board.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.



Sylvie Stacy, M.D., Secretary

Approved:



Max Michael, III, M.D., Chair