



JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
Wednesday, December 12, 2018 - 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 Wilson, M.D., David Hicks, D.O., Senitra Blackburn, Kim Cason, Rodney Holmes, Bryn Manzella, David Maxey, Esq., Wade Merritt, Esq., Jonathan Stanton, and Denisa Pridmore

Call to Order

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

David Maxey, Esq., legal counsel for the Department, introduced the Board members to Wade Merritt, Esq., attorney from Spain Gillon, LLC, who was in attendance at the meeting.

Minutes

Minutes of the November 14, 2018 meeting were approved as distributed.

November 2018 Financial Statements

Dr. Miller noted the November 2018 Financial Statements were included in the Board package. There were no questions from the Board.

Contracts

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

A new contract with B Brian, Inc. (payee) to provide music production/event coordination services for JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$500.

A new contract with Fredrick Powell Fredtography, LLC (payee) to provide photography services for the JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$795.

A new contract with Mykeon Smith d/b/a Images By Mykeon (payee) to provide photography for JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$795.

A new contract with Glenwood, Inc. (payee) to speak on Stress Management Services at the JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$500.

A new contract with Sign Geeks, LLC (payee) to provide signage services for the JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$1,321.93.

A new contract with Leslie Hayden James d/b/a Hayden James Events (payee) to provide production/audio visual services for the JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$6,390.

A new contract with Onyx Event Planners, LLC (payee) to provide Premier Drape Décor for JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$2,530.

A new contract with Petal Pushers Florals & Rentals, LLC (payee) to provide seating and chair pads for JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$1,500.

A new contract with Danielle Baskin d/b/a Double Edge Events (payee) to provide the decorations for JCDH Team Experience Day on November 9, 2018 for a rate not to exceed \$3,800.

Renewal of a contract with C-Spire Business f.k.a. TekLinks, Inc. (payee) to provide multiple in-person user awareness training sessions in order to educate employees on current cyber threats and the associated risks to both personal and company assets for a rate not to exceed \$5,000 from November 13, 2018 through March 30, 2019.

A new contract with Daikin Applied (payee) to provide HVAC repair services to JCDH for a rate not to exceed \$3,500 from October 25, 2018 through November 25, 2018.

An amendment to a contract with Kazmarek Mowrey Cloud Laseter, LLP (payee) for Alan Truitt, Esq. to provide legal counsel for the Jefferson County Board of Health for a rate of \$400 per hour. The amendment extends the original agreement from January 1, 2019 through January 1, 2021.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to provide grant funds for JCDH for all hazards at the local level from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and a rate not to exceed \$287,931.

A new contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to provide grant funds for JCDH "Healthcare Coalition" activities at the local level from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and a rate not to exceed \$20,000.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to provide grant funds for JCDH Cities Readiness Initiative activities at the local level from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and a rate not to exceed \$86,187.

Appointment of 2019 Rabies Officer

On the motion of Dr. Michael, and seconded by Dr. Stacy, the following resolution as approved.

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Dawkins, D.V.M. has confirmed that he is desirous of being appointed the Rabies Officer for Jefferson County for the year 2019 as evidenced by his letter dated November 12, 2018.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Thomas P. Dawkins, D.V.M. be appointed as the Rabies Officer for Jefferson County for the year 2019.

Election of 2019 Officers

Dr. Clayton was elected as Chair of the Board. Dr. Stacy was named to serve on the General Liability Claims & Investment Committee. The new Board of Health member elected by the Jefferson County Medical Society, Dr. Kenny Murray, will serve as Secretary.

The Board unanimously approved the election of the officers for 2019.

Board of Health Self-Evaluation

Bryn Manzella, MPH, Director of Quality Improvement, asked the Board members to complete the Self-Evaluation forms included in their packages. The survey may be emailed to Ms. Manzella if they are unable to finish tonight.

Health Officer Report

Pneumococcus Outbreak

Dr. Wilson stated that JCDH has been involved with an invasive pneumococcal disease outbreak at Donaldson Correctional Facility (DCF) in Bessemer. JCDH and ADPH staff provided DCF with Interim Guidance for Invasive *Streptococcus pneumoniae* Outbreak Control Measures. ADPH supplied pneumococcal vaccines for the inmates identified with high-risk criteria. Inmates also received the prophylactic antibiotic.

Gastrointestinal Outbreak

Dr. Wilson reported that JCDH was notified of an outbreak of gastrointestinal illness at Minor Elementary School in Jefferson County. JCDH provided guidance for the school nurse and instructions for the parents. We have not yet identified the etiologic agent.

Infant Mortality

Dr. Wilson reported that ADPH has released data for 2017 infant mortality rates and it is significantly lower in the state. The infant mortality rate of 7.4 deaths per 1,000 live births in 2017 is the lowest in Alabama history and is an improvement over the 2016 rate of 9.1. The infant mortality rate for black infants declined to an all-time low in 2017, and the infant mortality rate for white infants was the second lowest. The rate of 11.2 for black infants was an improvement over the 15.1 rate in 2016, and the rate of 5.5 for white infants was a drop over the 6.5 rate for whites in 2016.

Electronic Medical Record (EMR)

Dr. Wilson stated that JCDH continues to increase our appointment capacity week by week during the transition to our new EMR system. Coding and billing is part of this system and it has uncovered some deficiencies and inefficiencies in our processes. Staff will receive mandatory billing training next week.

Syndromic Surveillance

Dr. Wilson reported that JCDH staff recently met with ADPH and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) representatives regarding accessing a CDC-supported disease syndromic surveillance system. Jefferson County hospital systems have been submitting data for a specific set of clinical features (e.g. chief complaint, diagnosis) that public health can use for non-reportable illnesses and early detection of outbreaks. JCDH intends to pursue this opportunity and will continue discussions with ADPH.

Primary Care Safety Net Leaders

Dr. Wilson discussed the Primary Care Safety Net Leaders meeting held on November 28, 2018. Executives from UAB Health System were invited to the meeting to share their plans for the proposed UAB-led health care authority over the Indigent Care Fund. They anticipate an agreement with the Jefferson County Commission to be in place in January and agreed to meet with the Safety Net Leaders at the end of January. A desire to be a part of the process of designing the new indigent care system was expressed by the Safety Net Leaders. Access to specialty and diagnostic services was also an expressed concern.

Health Action Partnership (HAP) Annual Meeting

Dr. Wilson said the HAP's annual meeting was today. Drew Langloh, United Way of Central Alabama, has fulfilled his role as Chair and Monica Baskin, PhD, UAB Department of Medicine, will assume this role in 2019. The new Jefferson County Health Equity Report was presented at today's meeting and a copy has been provided for each Board of Health member.

Dr. Wilson thanked Ms. Manzella and her staff in Quality Improvement and Decision Support for their hard work in preparing the data for the report.

Birmingham Safe Neighborhoods Task Force

Dr. Wilson reported that JCDH will be hosting an all-day Strategic Planning session at Western Health Center for the Birmingham Safe Neighborhoods Task Force on December 13, 2018. The Task Force was convened earlier this year by the U.S. Attorney's Office and Mayor Randall Woodfin's office to look at ways to reduce violence in Birmingham. One of JCDH's strategic priorities is centered around violence reduction and JCDH is sponsoring a consultant firm to facilitate this strategic planning process.


"Pills to Needles"

Dr. Wilson stated the "Pills to Needles" collaboration on the opioid epidemic continues to meet monthly at JCDH. The group will be deciding on a new name at its meeting on December 18, 2018.

Recognition of Max Michael, III, MD

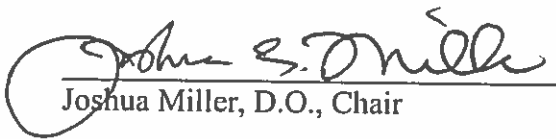
Dr. Wilson acknowledged his gratitude to Dr. Michael for serving on the Board of Health and presented him with a plaque. Dr. Michael stated he enjoyed being on the Board.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.



Sylvie Stacy, M.D., Acting Secretary

Approved:



Joshua Miller, D.O., Chair