

# JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 - 5:00 p.m. 5th Floor Board Room

PRESENT: Joshua Miller, D.O., Yocunda Clayton, M.D., Hernando Carter, M.D., Sylvie

Stacy, M.D., and Kenny Murray, M.D.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Jimmie Stephens

**OTHERS** 

PRESENT: Mark Wilson, M.D., David Hicks, D.O., Toni Bellina, Kim Cason, Rodney

Holmes, Bryn Manzella, Corey Masuca, PhD, David Maxey, Esq., Jonathan

Stanton, and Denisa Pridmore

#### Call to Order

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

#### **Minutes**

Minutes of the March 13, 2019 meeting were approved as distributed.

#### **Public Health Laws and Regulations**

David Maxey, Esq., legal counsel with Spain-Gillon, LLC, distributed a summary of the Board of Health's legal obligations outlined in the Code of Alabama §22-3-2. A listing of JCDH Programs that abide by these laws was shared and discussed.

Mr. Maxey reported that he has not received a response for the Board's request on an Advisory Opinion from the Alabama Attorney General on the donation of funds to establish the Red Rock Ridge and Valley Trail System and environmental protection projects fund.

## March 2019 Financial Statements

Dr. Clayton noted the March 2019 Financial Statements were included in the Board package. Mr. Rodney Holmes, Director of Finance, answered questions from the Board.

#### Contracts

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

A new contract with Office of Information Technology (payee) to provide 600 Threat Advice® licenses (active for 1 year) to JCDH for cyber security education and training for a rate not to exceed \$3,300 from March 8, 2019 through March 8, 2020.

A new contract with John Snow, Inc. (payee) to provide consultation to JCDH to assist in the development of a Health Authority proposal to operate the Jefferson County Indigent Care Fund and operate health services for low-income residents of the County at a rate of \$200 per hour; and travel if necessary, and not to exceed \$8,000 from March 5, 2019 through March 4, 2020.

A new bid contract with SmartWave Technologies, LLC (payee) to provide managed guest WiFi services for JCDH health centers at a rate not to exceed \$959 per month and \$11,508 annually from March 6, 2019 through March 6, 2022.

A new contract with Nationwide Power Solutions (payee) to provide battery replacement project services for a rate not to exceed \$7,254 from January 16, 2019 to completion of project.

A new contract with Reliable Sign Services (payee) to refurbish existing sign and pole cover at the Guy Tate building, fabricate and install double-face LED ID cabinet and digital message signs, for a rate not to exceed \$36,356 from January 25, 2019 through May 30, 2019.

Renewal of a contract with Camisha Williams Spencer (payee) to provide telephone support for breastfeeding Women, Infants and Children participants for a rate of \$10.19 per hour; not to exceed \$11,000, from March 1, 2019 through March 1, 2020.

Renewal of a contract with Kristen Sloan (payee) to provide telephone support for breastfeeding Women, Infants and Children participants for a rate of \$10.19 per hour, not to exceed \$11,000, from March 1, 2019 through March 1, 2020.

A new contract with Anita Smith & Company, Inc. (payee) to provide professional writing services to JCDH for a rate not to exceed \$145,000 from June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2022.

A new contract with Innovative Card Scanning, Inc. (payee) to securely upload scanned documents, insurance cards, driver's licenses, and photos from driver's licenses directly to a specific patient record without the need for storage on the local computer (in conjunction with athenahealth electronic medical record) for a rate of \$720 per month; not to exceed \$8,640 annually, from April 1, 2019 and ongoing.

An amendment to a contract with Cahaba Medical Care Foundation (payee) to provide three Clinical Registered Nurse Practitioner residents to participate in primary and public health services at JCDH for a rate not to exceed \$102,000 from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

Renewal of a contract with Cision, Inc. (payee) to provide media related products to JCDH for a rate not to exceed \$14,545 from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

A new contract with Emory University Diabetes & Technical Assistance Center (payee) to provide Diabetes Training and Technical Center Lifestyle Coach training services to JCDH on May 6-7, 2019 for a rate not to exceed \$14,682.

Renewal of a contract with Above Training, State Food Safety, (payee) to provide online food safety education training platform and certifications to users. Contractor will collect \$20 fee from the student and make a \$10 payment to JCDH for each student. Term of contract is April 1, 2019 through March 30, 2022.

A new contract with Summit Media, LLC (payee) to provide promotional information on the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day event offered by JCDH for an amount not to exceed \$4,560 from March 25, 2019 through April 20, 2019.

Dr. Wilson noted JCDH is sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on April 20, 2019 and an informational sheet was distributed to the Board. Two sites will be set up as collection points from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. or until capacity is met. All Jefferson County residents, with verification of residency, may participate.

A new contract with Triage Logic Management and Consulting, LLC (payee) to provide software solution to assist nurses assigned to JCDH Call Center with telephone triage activities for a rate not to exceed \$4,000 annually from April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

A new contract with Wesley G. Willeford for a conditional offer for employment as a Medical Director of Disease Control, conditioned on proof of successful completion of the Infectious Disease Fellowship Program, from February 21, 2019 through February 21, 2020.

A new contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) (payor) for a grant for Improving Alabamians Health through Prevention and Management of Diabetes, Heart Disease, and Stroke for an amount not to exceed \$100,000 from February 1, 2019 through June 29, 2019.

A new contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) for a grant to enhance surveillance of resistant N. gonorrhoeae in the United States and increase state and local capacity to detect and monitor resistant gonorrhea for a rate not to exceed \$5,000 (\$2,000 for shipping expenses and \$3,000 paid to JCDH) from August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019.

### <u>Title V Permit Fees</u>

Dr. Wilson said the following resolution will approve the rate for Fiscal Year 2019 Title V permit fees for Major Source Operating Permit Fees. The rate has increased from last year's fee of \$47 per ton to \$67.16. The increase is necessary to properly fund the Title V program and is due to the increases in operating expenses including significant legal costs and materials and supplies, such as air monitoring equipment. The rate is below the Alabama Department of Environmental Management's potential maximum fee. The resolution was discussed and the Board decided the fee increase was appropriate.

On the motion of Dr. Stacy, and seconded by Dr. Carter, the following resolution was approved:

WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Air Act and the Jefferson County Board of Health Air Pollution Control Rules and Regulations require that the Title V operating permit program fees be established to adequately fund the Title V operating permit program's responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, that the Title V permit fees may be used only for the Title V permit program; and

WHEREAS, it is projected that for Fiscal Year 2019, Title V permit fee revenues, based on a fee of \$67.16 per ton will adequately fund the operating and capital expenses of the Title V permit program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ORDAINED, ORDERED AND ENACTED BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH THAT:

Title V Operating Permit fees will be assessed at the rate of \$67.16 for the release of each ton of regulated pollutant as specified in Chapter 16 of the Jefferson County Board of Health Air Pollution Control Rules and Regulations for calendar year 2018 emissions, which fees will be payable in fiscal year 2019.

## JCDH Vision, Mission & Values

Dr. Wilson noted that a request was made during the Board's Self-Evaluation process in 2017 for an annual review of the JCDH Vision, Mission & Values. A copy of the current plan was included in the Board of Health material and was reviewed by Dr. Wilson.

Dr. Wilson announced that he will be conducting his "Meetings with Mark" with all JCDH staff in May. He visits all JCDH locations in order to communicate directly with employees and provide an opportunity for them to ask questions.

## Health Officer Report

#### Public Health Week

Dr. Wilson reported that activities planned for Public Health Week last week went well. Attendance was high for his annual Public Health Address on April 2, 2019 at the UAB Hill Center. The event was hosted by the UAB School of Public Health.

## Clinical Services Updates

Dr. Wilson stated that Heather Hogue, PharmD, Pharmacy Manager for JCDH, is relocating out of state with her family. Elizabeth Hill, PharmD, has been hired as her replacement and will begin at JCDH next week.

Dr. Wilson reminded the Board that one of the JCDH Strategic Plan tactics is to offer direct mental health support services to our patients through integration of these services, including but not limited to mental health-related pharmacotherapy, with our primary care clinics. JCDH has contracted with the Jefferson/Blount/St. Clair Mental Health Authority for a psychiatric nurse practitioner to provide consultation services part-time for JCDH's Adult Health providers beginning later this month.

Caroline Presley, M.D., with the UAB Division of Preventive Medicine, will begin a new metabolic clinic at JCDH. The clinic will be geared mostly towards adolescents.

## Hepatitis A

Dr. Wilson announced that ADPH has been investigating an outbreak of Hepatitis A cases in North Alabama. Jefferson County has seen two new cases this week. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and ADPH have advised JCDH to remain vigilant and proactively develop and implement prevention strategies even though JCDH is currently not an outbreak county.

## Health Care Authority

Dr. Wilson shared that discussions continue with members of the Jefferson County Commission regarding UAB Health Services' proposal for a University Health Care Authority that would assume oversight of Cooper Green Health Services and health care covered by the Indigent Care fund. UAB would have a majority vote on this authority's board. A second proposal, drafted by Dr. Max Michael, with input from Dr. Wilson and others, has been shared with Commissioners. The authority's board in this second proposal would have representatives of multiple health care stakeholders including UAB, but with no one organization having a majority vote.

### Primary Care Access

Dr. Wilson discussed the expansion of Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) in Jefferson County, particularly in the area of JCDH clinics. Christ Health Center in Woodlawn is opening a mental health care facility. Alabama Regional Medical Services (ARMS) is opening a clinic in the old Northern Health Center in May. ARMS and Cahaba Medical Care are pursuing new access points in Fairfield which could potentially divert patients from Western Health Center in Midfield. Aletheia House is applying for a grant to fund an access point in Fairfield for the homeless.

## Legislative Update

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Dr. Wilson reported that on the national level, U.S. Representative Robert Aderholt has introduced a bill to raise the minimum age to buy tobacco products to 21 and also require age verification for buying vaping products online. The Board of Health passed a "Tobacco 21" resolution two years ago in support of this, with the intent to support state legislation. JCDH will be monitoring the progress of Representative Aderholt's bill.

House Bill 41 passed unanimously in the Alabama House last week 101-0; it has been introduced in the Senate and referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill requires a license with the ABC Board for alternative nicotine products, warning signs, and limits on advertising near schools.

Senate Bill 235, for the Syringe Service Bill, was introduced to the Senate and referred to the Senate Health Care Committee. Dr. Wilson has spoken with Committee Chair Senator Jim McClendon, who has expressed his support. Senator McClendon also offered to sponsor a bill to amend the drug paraphernalia law to legalize use of drug testing supplies for harm reduction purposes.

# Chemical Endangerment Laws

Dr. Wilson and Dr. Darlene Traffanstedt, Medical Director of Adult Health & Family Planning, are working on convening a group to look at the Chemical Endangerment law for a possible

amendment in the 2020 legislative session. Dr. Traffanstedt has experience working with this law while she served on Governor Robert Bentley's Health Care Task Force. Dr. Wilson suggested that Dr. Traffanstedt share background on the law with the Board at a future meeting. A draft resolution would be presented for the Board's approval at a subsequent meeting if this was an area of interest. The Board expressed a desire for further information.

JCDH 2018 Annual Report

Dr. Wilson shared a copy of the JCDH 2018 Annual Report with the Board. The report is available on the JCDH website.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Kenny J. Murray, M.D., M.P.H., Secretary

Approved:

Yocunda Clayton, M.D., Chair