

## LM Advisory Board Minutes

Time/Date: 9:30a-12p, Friday March 24, 2017

Location: First Floor large conference room, Colgate Building  
2040 S. Pacheco, Santa Fe; 505-476-8999

To call in: 641-715-3200, Passcode: 916237#

**Present:** Jaymi McKay, Felina Ortiz, Karen Brown, Carolina Nkouga, Katie Avery, Katrina Nardini, Elena Campili Stauss

**Absent:** Sarah McKinney, Sarah Gopman

**Guests:** Kelly Camden - Albuquerque, Robert Morrison- NB Screening/DOH, Jessica Gutfreund – Espanola, Jessi Sanchez – MCH Administrative Asst.

**On the phone-** Louise Self; Sarah McKinney (for closed part of meeting)

### **Old business:**

-Minutes Approval (Katrina): Approved (all in favor)

-Board member update (Katrina): Board is full; Elena vetted as of this meeting

-MCO reimbursement issues/updates (Katie)

- Now that legislative session is over Katie is looking to set up a summer training program.
- Birthing options plan is getting old and needs to be updated. HSD also has an old form that they send to MCOs.
- Discussed having one billing person for all midwives, would need to be a contracted person.
- Discussion with Erica at Medicaid regarding a lot of billing errors; Medicaid is looking very adversely at this. Best to have meeting with Erica prior to a summer training.

-MANA stats start-up and quarterly survey update (Katie/Katrina)

- We lost about 10 LM's and renewed about 32 for March
- Please contact Jenny West with any questions about MANA Stats.
- Quarterly reports are going well and are completely online now at the DOH Maternal Health Website. We are adding one new question to capture additional data.
- If Rule opened, can look at eliminating quarterly reports.
- LMs now included in Workforce Survey.
- Taos stating not doing MANA Stats due to internet access. Board discussed this is unacceptable, and Katie will convey this message to Taos LMs that will be needed for license renewal starting next cycle.

-Legislative Update (Jessica)

- LM procuring medication bill passed unanimously
- Political atmosphere is unpredictable

- Secretary of Health is endorsing the bill
- Asking for organizations to have letters of recommendation ready for use if it is requested.
- If signed, LMs need to have a meeting/committee to discuss Rule changes
- Pharmacy Rule will also open; Jessica working with Ben Kesner at BOP
- Bill is in the governor's office and hopefully will be signed, Jessica feels very positive that governor will sign.

-Hearing Screening Update (new staff – Robert “Bob” Morrison)

- Bob is a new NB Hearing Screening Coordinator
- No plans for changes now, just got new HRSA for next 3-year period but budget is not complete. New plans are on hold until they have a firm budget.
- Looking at a Sandoval County as a place for a single point of contact facility as a new model around the state for NB Screenings (would be good to have in other counties as well)
- Biggest issue currently is with the EDDY program. They hear the ideas and complaints but at the program level they aren't seeing changes.
- Biggest problem Bob sees is ongoing communication piece - would like to have a midwife stakeholder group eventually so the midwives' experiences are being heard and addressed. We don't want to miss any NB's being screened.
- Kelly stated that the challenge that she sees with sending a family to the hospital is the family having to wait 3 months to get an appointment. If it takes this long, then the midwife has to submit a form about NB hearing screening and the NB hasn't even gotten screened yet. She is sending her patients to Dar a Luz to get screened and it is much quicker to get an appointment. Dar a Luz is really only an Albuquerque area resource. (Baby must have insurance or pay \$100 for screen at Dar a Luz).
- Many clients do not want to go to hospital.
- Jessica had a question about midwife reporting form. In Espanola they send to Las Cumbres but there are issues that Las Cumbres is not reporting the screenings directly to the NB Hearing Screening Program. Robert believes that PEI goes around the state to test babies.
- The School for the Deaf is a good resource to find hearing screening sites throughout the state.
- Equipment fundraising is underway but slow, equipment is \$3,700 to \$5,500.
- Heather and Jenny West might be interested in being point person for NB Hearing Screening
- Bob with NB Hearing – email: [robert.morrison@state.nm.us](mailto:robert.morrison@state.nm.us)

-Transfer issues and proposal for working on transfer issues: Tabled

- Student Handbook Update (Katie): Tabled

-Guidelines (Katrina)

- Katrina sent out a copy of updated guidelines
- A lot of updates to the VBAC section of guidelines including updating the consent form
- Has anyone reviewed the consent form this refers to?
- Hope to complete the guidelines by LM Advisory Board meeting in June
- We need to complete the guidelines so we can use as an approved document in the Rule making process if the Rule opens up (related to procuring medication bill).
- Board is open to meeting sooner than June to approve the guidelines document if needed
- Regulatory type language is more important

**Closed mtg:**

-Definition of IUFD (Katrina)

-Follow-up to case presented at fall 2016 meeting (Katrina)

**Next meeting:** June 16 - Albuquerque