

## Minutes for Asthma Subgroup – July 19, 2017

### Attendees =

Anne Kaup-Fett, CCCHD

Deb Jacobs, Dayton Children's Hospital

NOTE = upcoming 2017 meetings are:

September 20, 2017	10 – noon	CCCHD SMALL meeting room
November 15, 2017	10 – noon	CCCHD SMALL meeting room

Group met to discuss next steps in workplan:

#### **1. Research current practices:**

- a. Heather Koster has been keeping a running tally of asthma issues of concern at SRMC ED and intends to consult with Deb about needed corrections and training. **Heather was unable to attend the meeting. Issue tabled.**
- b. Heather indicated that Accent Video (provider of videos for RHC waiting room) might also have asthma videos. **Heather was unable to attend the meeting. Issue tabled.**
- c. Angela had indicated that PA's series of videos (produced in-house) could include asthma videos. **Angela was unable to attend the meeting. Issue tabled.**
- d. Marianne Potina provided data about asthma at SRMC indicating that asthma visits were down from 2015 to 2016 by 22% and that the number of asthma admissions to the hospital were down 69%. This data probably does not accurately reflect asthma issues at SRMC due to coding issues and due to searching through the data in the wrong way (not just "asthma" but also "difficulty with breathing without a fever", "wheezing", or "the patient was given a dose of steroids". **Marianne was unable to attend the meeting. Deb indicated that she would contact Marianne and Jade Sartin to obtain the name of a person in Quality Assurance in order to acquire more accurate numbers for asthma (and asthma-like) symptoms at SRMC, possibly annually or twice a year. E-mail sent 07-19-17.**
- e. **Deb will obtain patient numbers for Clark County residents referred to Dayton Children's Hospital.**

#### **2. Engage strategic partners to develop an effective home-based environmental assessment program:**

- a. Anne has spoken to Sandy Miller, the Nursing Supervisor who works with Clark County school nurses. **Anne sent e-mail about the IAQ/Asthma Program to all known school nurses. A specific informational handout was included with the e-mail. The handout will be updated to include information on the CHF grant – "CCCHD can supply no-cost supplies and equipment to assist low-income families".**
- b. Anne received approval from the CCCHD Board of Health to apply for a Community Health Foundation grant for supplies and other activities. **Anne applied for this grant in January 2017. Grant approved in May 2017.**
- c. From previous meetings, still considering Legal Aid and Care Source partners. **Anne has observed several households where asthmatic children have no beds. Anne will contact St. Vincent DePaul to determine if they could possibly donate children's beds.**

- d. Andy recommended providing information on the IAQ/Asthma Program to local pharmacies – perhaps the CCCHD could attend one of these meetings to provide information on the IAQ program. **Andy provided contact information for Dwight Dobbins from Harding Road Pharmacy on the local pharmacists’ monthly meeting. Anne contacted the group and has been invited to a monthly educational meeting. Deb suggested asking the pharmacists if they would be interested in a self-managed fund to help special needs families with medications (a similar program exists at Dayton Children’s known as LINK). Anne will update the subgroup when the pharmacist educational meeting is set.**

### 3. Implementation:

- a. Target Audience – Children and Adults:
  1. **Anne has been trying to obtain a periodic update from SRMC on numbers of asthmatics seen in the ED and the names of their attending physicians. Deb indicated that she would try to determine how the CCCHD could obtain that information.**
  2. Veterans – possibly a targeted audience. **Issue tabled.**
- b. Best way to contact and convince Physicians and Clients:
  - i. **Anne sent IAQ/Asthma Program information to all physicians on the contact list.**
  - ii. From previous meetings, the CCCHD will also introduce the IAQ/Asthma Program via an article in the News Suns, if possible, and on the new front sign.
  - iii. The CHF’s Health Resources Guide has been updated on the IAQ/Asthma Program (as well as radon and mold).
  - iv. **Anne and Samantha are still working on office visits to physician’s offices.**
  - v. **Anne will e-mail school nurses periodically and plan to attend a nurse meeting at the CCCHD.**
- c. Provide referral system for providers:
  - i. Samantha and Anne developed a one-page document describing the IAQ/Asthma Program, how it will assist physicians to make a plan of treatment for their clients, and how to easily request an IAQ assessment. **Anne will mail this again in August or September.**
  - ii. The CCCHD webpage has been updated to include Asthma/IAQ referral information and asthma resources.
- d. Conduct assessments:
  - i. Conduct in-home assessments. **Anne indicated that the “pattern” of results is typical, with no surprises in presence of asthma triggers or client needs. Need for typical supplies and sometimes no bed for child. Anne will have the current form printed as a carbonless form.**
  - ii. From previous meetings, the group still agrees that at least one follow-up/contact would be needed with the client to determine if the IAQ was effective or if the conditions had improved. It would be useful – in order to induce the client to allow a follow-up visit – to provide useful free materials at the follow-up visit. **Anne will conduct a follow-up visit or other contact with client within 30 days for data purposes.**
  - iii. From previous meeting, the group still agrees that a second follow-up visit or other contact within six months is needed to fulfill the requirements of the objectives. (possible questions – “have you been to ER” “have you addressed

trigger problems”) for data purposes. **Anne will conduct a follow-up visit or other contact with client in 6-months for data purposes.**

- e. Dispense grant-funded supplies:
  - i. Discussed best use of CHF-grant funding. **Anne will plan to order toddler-sized mattress covers, if available. Also, will plan to order twin-sized covers, double-sized cover, and standard-sized pillow covers. Other supplies could include vacuum cleaner filters (on a case-by-case basis), green-cleaning supplies, and (on a case-by-case basis) some pest control supplies.**

#### 4. Evaluation

- a. Will collect data on CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, T, H, particle counts, decibels, and light levels.
- b. Will determine needs that can be met by grant funds and order/inventory supplies.**
- c. Will compile data on client issues and needs.
- d. Will conduct follow-up visit or other contact with client within 30 days for data purposes **AND provide needed supplies.**
- e. Will conduct a second follow-up within six months (possible questions – “have you been to ER” “have you addressed trigger problems”) for data purposes.
- f. Will consult with University of Cincinnati on data analysis.

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