

Dallas County Coalition

Minutes

Lutheran Church of Hope Waukee

305 N.E. Dartmoor

Waukee, Iowa 50263

10:30am -12:00pm

Wednesday October 24, 2018

Attendance and Introductions

Hannah Vander Kopsa (CIAC), Amy Karaidos (Every Step/VNS), Kelly Phelps (CCR&R), Samra Hiros (American Lung Association), Dena Owens (Providence Place), Lyn Jenkins (5-2-1-0), Joy Greer (The Family Connection) Terra Jones (CIAC), Abigail Chihak (Dallas County Public Health), Carol Behr (New Opportunities) and Debra Schrader (4 R Kids ECI).

Agency Sharing

- [Low income energy assistance](#) will be available starting October 1 through September 30. Household income is to be at 175% of the federal poverty level or below to qualify.
- CIAC - The fundraiser for the Boutin car show was a success and raised about \$6,000.
- Dallas County Public Health - has updated their logo and strategic plan.
- Visiting Nurse Services - has changed their name to Every Step.
- New Opportunities - have received 28 referrals from Habitat from Humanity for financial literacy.

Early Childhood Updates/Information

- The 4 R Kids ECI board is looking for board members, contact Deb Schrader if you know of someone. The board has issued their [legislative agenda](#). The primary concentration is to restore funding to the 2008 levels.
- Prevent Child Abuse Iowa has issued their [legislative agenda](#) with a concentration on requiring home school parents to submit an annual notification of intent to the superintendent of the school district of residence; Adopting recommendations identified by the work group to examine current mandatory reporter training and certification requirements; Enacting legislation for awareness and prevention of child sexual abuse and sexual assault; Promote child and family resilience.
- United Way Well kids are working on their [legislative agenda](#) and will most likely mirror FY18.
- Preschool experience rate data is currently being collected. Out of 20 schools, one school has yet to report the information. At this time the Dallas County rate 81% and the 4 R Kids ECI area rate is 83.8%. This is a decrease from the previous fiscal year of 88.7%.
- Samra Hiros gave an update on the action plan goals for Dallas County. See attached written report. Samra shared the progress relating to Dallas worksites and ISTEP. Samra has several worksite leads, but no confirmed policies so far this fiscal year. With the assistance of EFR, Samra made a connection to Perry High School for ISTEP and is working on setting up a meeting to see if there is an interest in creating a chapter at the high school. Samra also presented at the Dallas Board of Health meeting earlier this month. She brought bags with Quitline Iowa handouts and promotional items to the coalition, and asked the coalition members to share them with their patients, clients or coworkers.

Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council Updates/Information

- The DCCAC FY19 membership list was reviewed and changes made. It is required to submit the list annually in the spring.
- Dena and Joy will follow up with Crisis Intervention & Advocacy regarding the quarterly report and any GAX's that have been submitted.
- A committee will be established to work on child abuse awareness activities that happen in April. Contact Dena Owens to be involved.
- A Nurturing Healthy Sexual Development training will be provided in lei of a Coalition meeting this winter.
- Debb Franz and Deb Schrader attended the Regional PCA meeting at the West Des Moines Learning Center 10-18-18 from 9:30-4:00.

Generation Wellness Update/Information

- Deb updated the group about a listening post that sponsored by the Children's System State Board regarding mental health services for children. A strategic plan is required to be submitted by November 15, 2018 and will request action on the plan during the upcoming legislative session.
- On December 5th from 1:00 -3:00 a Darkens to Light training will be provided to DCG elementary school.
- The group reviewed the strategies of Generation Wellness; to provide mental health first aid training, ACEs training, and Stewards of Children training to the community.
- Future meetings were discussed.

Next meeting: February 27, 2019 at 10:30. There is no meeting November, December or January.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Schrader



The American Lung Association holds the Community Partnership grant funded by the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Tobacco Use Prevention & Control for eight counties in Iowa. We serve Adair, Dallas, Jasper, Madison, Marshall, Polk, Union, and Warren Counties and follow best practices for tobacco control outline by the CDC:

1. Prevent the Initiation of tobacco use among young people
2. Eliminate non-smokers exposure to secondhand smoke
3. Promote quitting among young people and adults
4. Identify and eliminate tobacco-related disparities among population groups.

FY2019 Initiatives for Dallas County

Tobacco & Nicotine-free Worksites: Goal 0/3

- ✓ Reached out to 311 worksites/ Connected with 19 worksites
- ✓ 87 surveys mailed to date, 11 responses received
- ✓ Several businesses interested in policy and are entertaining the idea at this time. Might take some time to hear back about their decision.

Increasing Quitline Iowa Numbers

- ✓ Staff continues to seek providers interested in the Ask, Advise and Refer training
- ✓ Great American Smokeout (GASO) Quitline Iowa press releases will be going out next month.

I-STEP: Goal 0/1

- ✓ EFR connected us to counselor at Perry High School for potential ISTEP Chapter formation in that school
- ✓ Waiting to schedule a meeting with counselor(s) at Perry High School

Coalition Development: Goal 0/3

- ✓ **Ask of the coalition today:** Today, I brought some Quitline Iowa bags with me (**one for each organization**).
 - If you serve patients, clients or other community members, could you distribute the resources (particularly the Quitline Iowa handout) with the community? The location could be a waiting room, an office setting, or another location you feel is appropriate to share this information. It would also be great to share it with your coworkers as well by leaving it in a break room area. You can always order more of the materials by e-mailing me directly at samra.hiros@lung.org.

Other:

- ✓ Presented to the Dallas Board of Health this month on our progress in Dallas County so far this fiscal year
- ✓ Presented to the Dallas Center Middle School and Waukee High school administration recently to talk about electronic smoking devices trends and new devices that are on the horizon.
- ✓ We are currently working with students on ISTEP projects in 4 schools: Waukee Innovation Learning Center, Perry Middle School, Dallas Center Grimes Middle School and Dallas Center Grimes High School.