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# **DUPAGE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

## **Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**Wheaton, Illinois**

**August 13, 2009**

Board Members Present	Mr. Dennis Brennan, Mr. Scott Cross, Dr. Peter Doris, Ms. Kyle Gilgis, Mr. Gary Grasso, Ms. Dolores Kopp, Ms. Linda Kurzawa, Mr. Edward Merkel, Dr. Robert Walz, and Dr. Lanny Wilson,
Board Members Absent	Mr. Charlie Thurston
Leadership Staff Present	Karen Ayala, Dave Christiansen, Dr. Rashmi Chugh, Kevin Dixon, Dave Hass, and Maureen McHugh
Health Department Staff Present	Maria Uribe, Pat Flaherty, Pat Delmastro, Cathy O'Reilly, Jeff Swim, Mike Keip, Katy Yee, Sue Kowalczak, Mary Prignano, Kristen Hartsaw, Hollie Myers, Marilan Huang, Marie Doll & Jane Zimmerman
Public Present	Mr. Rob Douglas, State's Attorney's Office & Mr. Tim Trotter, DuPage County Strategic Planner

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Kurzawa called the August Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. There were ten members present for a quorum. Dr. Doris joined the meeting at 6:30pm. See list above.

### **AGENCY UPDATE**

#### **FY2010 Budget Overview**

Mike Kiep presented the Board with the FY2010 Budget Overview. A copy of the presentation is included with the official copy of the minutes.

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Ms. McHugh presented the Board with the FY2010 Budget Strategy. The strategy will include a Health Department business model that would take public health from service delivery based on grant funding to a model based on fee-for-service.

Service Unit Directors were given the task to take a look at their programs and evaluate how to redesign service delivery more efficiently. The number one goal is to not reduce services to the community.

Ms. McHugh said that by redesigning our service delivery system to be scaleable, we can maintain and even build our capacity. Ms. McHugh further said that this is the same model being implemented in Environmental Health Services. By cross training staff to move into a more generalist role, instead of specialized role, it actually improves our customer service, reduces the client need to come in for multiple visits, and reduces waiting times.

Ms. McHugh explained that the State of Illinois is looking into Medicaid reform and to begin testing a pilot. Specifically the State is considering using DuPage County as a pilot as they move into a fee-for-service model.

Ms. McHugh further discussed that as we reach our goals of a scaleable service delivery model in EHS, they are now ready to move into the next phase of mobile technology. The cross training has ensured that staff is ready for this next transition.

In EDC and CHS, as we move into a clinical fee-for-service model by cross training staff, we will be able to serve multiple client needs. What the client will find is a more generalist nurse that can provide the various tests and services that the client may require. The generalist model will help to reduce overall operating expenses.

MHS is already on a fee-for-service model. Ms. McHugh credited Dave Christiansen, Service Unit Director with doing a tremendous job transitioning his staff to this model.

Ms. McHugh updated the Board on the Title X, Family Planning grant that was discussed at the June board meeting, Ms. Hugh has been working with ACCESS Community Healthcare Network to be able to transition the Title X grant by December 1' 2009.

In conclusion, Ms. McHugh said that there will be a balanced budget presented to the Board of Health at the September meeting.

### **H1N1 Update**

Ms. McHugh presented the Board with a packet of information on the H1N1 campaign. This packet was presented to Superintendents and school nurses from 42 school districts,

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representing 250 schools. In a meeting organized by Dr. Darlene Ruscitti, Superintendent of the DuPage County Regional Office of Education, and the DuPage County Health Department, the Superintendent and nurses heard plans about preparing for the fall. Dr. Ruscitti stressed the importance of using preventative measures to keep schools open and the willingness of schools to communicate and work with both her Regional Office of Education and the Health Department.

Ms. McHugh mentioned that the Health Department setup an electronic reporting system to monitor schools and their absentee rates. Ms. McHugh also said mass vaccination plans are being organized in the event the clinics are needed within schools. The key message was protect your students, protect your schools and protect DuPage.

Dr. Rashmi Chugh provided the Board with updated data on H1N1 Swine Flu cases. Copies of the packet and data are included with the official copy of the minutes.

## **ADJOURNMENT INTO THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**