

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, January 13, 2016 - 5:00 p.m. 5th Floor Board Room

PRESENT:

Jennifer R. Dollar, M.D., Nicole Redmond, M.D., PhD, MPH, Max Michael,

III, M.D., Joshua Miller, D.O., and Yocunda Clayton, M.D.

ABSENT:

Commissioner Jimmie Stephens

OTHERS

PRESENT:

Mark Wilson, M.D., Carolyn Dobbs, M.D., Kim Cason, Heather Hogue,

Rodney Holmes, Bryn Manzella, David Maxey, Jonathan Stanton, and Denisa

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Call to Order

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

Minutes

Minutes of the December 9, 2015 meeting were approved as distributed.

Professional & General Liability Insurance

David Maxey, Esq., the Department's legal counsel from Spain-Gillon, LLC, discussed JCDH's Professional & General Liability Insurance that provides coverage for the Board of Health members for actions committed within the line and scope as a Board of Health member. The insurance is administered by the Department's Risk Management division.

Financial Statement

Mr. Rodney Holmes, Director of Finance & Administration, discussed the December 2015 Financial Report. A motion to accept the financial report was made, seconded and approved.

Contracts

On the motion of Dr. Dollar, and seconded by Dr. Michael, the following contracts were approved with clarification on the total amount for the Human Resources Management, Inc. contract:

A new contract with Marvin Harrell Custom Clothing (payee) to provide Professional Dress for Men workshop at the Employee Appreciation Day on November 19, 2015 at a rate not to exceed \$375.00.

A new contract with Clarus Consulting Group (payee) to work with JCDH leadership to develop a three to five year strategic plan that will include strategic priorities, goals and measurable

objectives at a rate not to exceed \$52,000 for the base project and \$60,000 for total project from December 31, 2015 through July 31, 2016.

A new contract with J. Alan Truitt, Esq. with Kazmarek Mowrey Cloud Laseter, LLP, (payee) to provide legal counsel for the Jefferson County Board of Health members at a rate of \$400 per hour from January 1, 2016 through January 1, 2017.

A new contract with Human Resources Management, Inc. (payee) to provide Human Resources consulting services at a rate not to exceed \$132,000 from September 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to pay the salary, fringe benefits, mileage and other travel expenses for full-time nurse to serve as the Area Immunization Manager from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 at a rate not to exceed \$84.072.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to provide maternal and child health services to JCDH clients from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 at a rate not to exceed \$539,066.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) for JCDH to provide staff to implement the Jefferson County Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at a rate not to exceed \$92,980 from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

Naloxone Standing Orders

The Board members discussed the following resolution that will authorize the Health Officer to issue standing orders for pharmacists in Jefferson County to dispense naloxone.

Dr. Wilson noted that JCDH has arranged meetings with service providers such as homeless shelters and substance abuse treatment programs to provide naloxone. JCDH will be starting a media campaign soon to provide information with the community about naloxone. A suggestion was made to reach out to case managers or social workers at rehabilitation facilities so they are aware of this. Pharmacy records will be referenced to help determine the benefit of the program.

On the motion of Dr. Miller, and seconded by Dr. Michael, the following resolution was approved:

Authorizing Standing Orders for Naloxone at Jefferson County Pharmacies

WHEREAS, there were 137 confirmed deaths from heroin overdose in Jefferson County in 2014, up from a baseline of 13 in 2008 (1);

WHEREAS, there were 80 confirmed deaths from prescription opioid overdose in Jefferson County in 2014 (1);

WHEREAS, the number of deaths from all opioids including heroin exceeded the number of other accidental deaths or gun-related deaths in Jefferson County in 2014 (1);

WHEREAS, a growing number of overdose deaths from opioids in 2015 involved illegally-produced fentanyl, which is even more potent than heroin (1);

WHEREAS, it is well documented nationally that distribution of naloxone to laypersons is an effective public health strategy for reducing overdose deaths (2);

BE IT RESOLVED that the Health Officer of the Jefferson County Department of Health, under Alabama Code 1975, § 20-2-280 through 282, as amended 2015 (the "Act"), and in an effort to reduce the number of opioid-related overdose deaths in Jefferson County, Alabama, is authorized to issue standing orders under said Act and written protocol to licensed pharmacists in Jefferson County to dispense an opioid antagonist to individuals at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose, or to a family member, friend, or other individual, including law enforcement, in a position to assist an individual at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.

References:

- (1) Jefferson County Coroner's Office
- (2) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Community-based opioid overdose prevention programs providing naloxone United States, 2010. MMWR Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report 2012; 61(6):101–105.

Board of Health Self-Evaluation

Bryn Manzella, M.P.H., Director of Quality Improvement, reviewed the results of the Board's 2015 Self-Evaluation. There was 100% participation from the members. The survey has been revised to a 7-point scale at the Board's request last year. Ms. Manzella summarized the mean score for each category and question.

Health Officer Report

JCDH Strategic Plan

Dr. Wilson reported that work will begin in the next few weeks on the 2017-2021 JCDH Strategic Plan. The goal is to have this completed by July in order to finalize the FY 2017 budget.

Health Action Partnership

Dr. Wilson noted JCDH is taking the lead role in one of the five priority groups approved by the Community Matters 20/20 Steering Committee for improving health in Jefferson County, Optimizing Access to Healthcare. The group is looking at partnering with area hospitals, non-profit groups and communities to focus on zip codes in Jefferson County that are areas of very high health disparities and collectively work together to improve determinants of health and health care outcomes in that zip code.

Dr. Wilson reported the group is also exploring the possibility of developing a primary care focused nurse practitioner residency program. Nurse practitioners would have the opportunity for an additional year of on-the-job training and a close mentorship whereby they would actually be seeing patients for billable services.

Health Action Partnership's Annual Summit

Dr. Wilson announced that the annual Health Action Partnership Summit is scheduled Wednesday, February 10, 2016.

Legislative Session

Dr. Wilson noted the Alabama Legislative Session begins the first week of February 2016. We will be monitoring for any items that may have an impact on JCDH.

Dr. Redmond's Announcement

Dr. Redmond announced that she has accepted a position in another state and will be departing sometime in March. The Board congratulated Dr. Redmond on this opportunity.

Dr. Wilson will speak to Martha Wise at the Jefferson County Medical Society on how to proceed.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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Approved:

Nicole Redmond, M.D., Ph.D., MPH, Chair