

# JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 - 5:00 p.m. 5th Floor Board Room

PRESENT: Yocunda Clayton, MD, Sylvie Stacy, MD, Hernando Carter, MD, and Susan

Walley, MD

ABSENT: Commissioner Jimmie Stephens and Kenny Murray, MD

**OTHERS** 

PRESENT: Mark Wilson, MD, David Hicks, DO, Kim Cason, Bryn Manzella, David Maxey,

Esq., Jonathan Stanton, and Denisa Pridmore

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Stacy.

# Introduction of New Board of Health Member

Dr. Stacy welcomed Dr. Susan Walley to the Board of Health.

#### **Election of 2020 Officers**

Dr. Stacy was elected as Chair of the Board. Dr. Carter was named to serve on the General Liability Claims & Investment Committee. The new Board of Health member elected by the Jefferson County Medical Society, Dr. Susan Walley, will serve as Secretary.

The Board unanimously approved the election of the officers for 2020.

#### Minutes

Minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting were approved as distributed. The notes from the December 11, 2019 meeting, at which there was no quorum, were accepted as information only.

#### Contracts

On the motion of Dr. Carter, and seconded by Dr. Clayton, the following contracts were approved:

Renewal of a contract with University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Public Health (payee) for continuation of partnership between JCDH and the UAB School of Public Health to strengthen activities of both parties; not to exceed \$38,088 from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

A new contract with Jefferson County Commission (payee) for participation in a new Jefferson County Geographic Information System (GIS) Consortium, along with multiple

municipalities and other local government organizations; not to exceed \$140,000 from November 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022.

Renewal of a contract with United States Geological Survey (USGS) (payee) for monitoring of water-quality parameters of pH and turbidity at USGS streamflow gauging station-Cahaba River #02423380, Whites Chapel #02423160, Shades Creek #02423160, Shades Creek #02423571, and Valley Creek #02461405; not to exceed \$94,350 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

A new contract with Clarus Consulting (payee) to provide design, planning and facilitation of a Leadership Summit around Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders with production of a report and recommendations at the conclusion of the Summit; not to exceed \$24,465 from October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

An amendment to a contract with American Behavioral, LLC (payee) to extend the Term of Agreement date. Contractor provides employee assistance services for JCDH employees and their dependents at a cost of \$2.50 per employee per month from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

A new contract with New South Outdoor, LLC (payee) to provide public information on hepatitis A using static boards; not to exceed \$14,840 from November 11, 2019 through December 15, 2019.

A new contract with Lamar Alabama, Inc. (payee) to provide public information on hepatitis A using king-size bus displays; not to exceed \$3,800 from November 25, 2019 through December 25, 2019.

A new contract with Summit Media Management, Inc. (payee) to provide advertising on WBHK-FM, WBHJ-FM, and WAGG-AM for the Gift of Health community event; not to exceed \$2,520 from November 20, 2019 through December 4, 2019.

A new contract with Townsquare Media, LLC (payee) to provide digital media advertising for the Gift of Health community event; not to exceed \$1,800 from November 20, 2019 through December 4, 2019.

A new contract with Courtney French Broadcasting, LLC (payee) to provide radio promotions on 94.9 FM for the Gift of Health community event; not to exceed \$1,000 from November 20, 2019 through December 4, 2019.

A new contract with Justice Alexis (payee) to provide telephone support for breastfeeding Women, Infants and Children (WIC) participants for 19 hours per week at \$10.19 per hour; not to exceed \$11,000 from December 1, 2019 through December 1, 2020.

A new contract with Comfort Systems USA Mid-South (payee) to provide plumbing services to JCDH facilities; not to exceed \$10,000 from November 1, 2019 through October 31, 2020.

A new contract with Sunbelt Glass, LLC (payee) to provide glass partitions for clinic registration counters; not to exceed \$17,754 from November 11, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

A new contract with New Solutions Group (payee) to provide tree trimming services to the JCDH; not to exceed \$1,535 from November 20, 2019 through December 20, 2019.

A new contract with Paycom Payroll, LLC (payee) for JCDH to purchase time clocks currently installed at each health center for a rate not to exceed \$21,060 from November 1, 2019 through December 1, 2019. The time clocks were originally leased on a monthly basis.

Renewal of a contract with Pediatric Radiology Associates (payee) for professional interpretation of pediatric radiographs at a rate of \$12 per film interpreted from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Renewal of a contract with The Children's Hospital of Alabama (payee) to provide on-call services to JCDH patients to be handled by professional Registered Nurses at a rate of \$14 per call, approximately 5,000 calls annually. Calls related to a.m. appointment are paid at reduced cost of \$4; not to exceed \$70,000 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Renewal of a contract with Lucille Robinson (payee) to provide release of information services, receive and process requests for protected health information in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, JCDH policies and procedures under the direction of Assistant Director of Health Information Services at a rate of \$30 per hour; not to exceed \$4,500 per month from January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

Amendment to a contract with Cahaba Medical Care Foundation (payee) to provide three CRNP residents to participate in primary and public health services at JCDH, which extends the original term of contract from October 1, 2018 through October 31, 2019; not to exceed \$102,000.

A new contract with iOn Integrated Solutions, LLC d/b/a 1 Point USA (payee) to provide security system installation and network infrastructure installation for JCDH; not to exceed \$231,430.37 from December 3, 2019 through March 30, 2020.

A new contract with iOn Integrated Solutions, LLC d/b/a 1 Point USA (payee) to maintain personal computers and network configuration for security system for a rate not to exceed \$940 per month or total amount of \$13,680 from December 3, 2019 through December 3, 2020.

A new contract with Brice Consulting Group, LLC (payee) to design, manage bid process and commissioning of new electronic systems in the new JCDH conference room renovation project; not to exceed \$5,950 from December 5, 2019 through June 5, 2020.

A new bid contract with MXI Environmental Services, LLC (payee) to provide comprehensive household hazardous waste collection processing, transportation and management of recycling and disposal of the household hazardous waste, per bid #20-11-03 from April 25, 2020 through April 25, 2020.

A new contract with Lamar Outdoor Advertising (payee) to provide three poster billboards and production of promotion with relevant information on the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day event; not to exceed \$1,520 from April 10, 2020 through April 24, 2020.

Renewal of a contract with Birmingham Broadcasting, LLC (payee) to provide a comprehensive media plan to increase community awareness about available health programs in Jefferson County at a rate of \$5,180 per month; not to exceed \$62,160 from December 1, 2019 through December 1, 2020.

A new contract with Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to provide a foundation of monetary and technical support for sub-recipient to build programs, support systems and implement activities to address drug overdose; not to exceed \$447,500 from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020.

A new contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama (payor) for a donation to offset the cost of hosting the Leadership Summit: Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders; not to exceed \$2,500 from November 20, 2019 through November 21, 2019.

A new contract with National Advocates for Pregnant Women (payor) for a donation to offset the cost of hosting the Leadership Summit: Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders; not to exceed \$2,500 from November 1, 2019 through November 21, 2019.

A new contract with Bradford Health Services (payor) for a donation to offset the cost of hosting the Leadership Summit: Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders; not to exceed \$2,500 from November 7, 2019 through January 15, 2020.

A new contract with Ann McMillan (payor) for a donation to offset the cost of hosting the Leadership Summit: Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders; not to exceed \$765 from November 4, 2019 through November 21, 2019.

A new contract with The Medical Foundation of Alabama (payor) for a donation to offset the cost of hosting the Leadership Summit: Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders; not to exceed \$2,500 from October 24, 2019 through November 21, 2019.

A new contract with March of Dimes (payor) for donation to offset the cost of hosting the Leadership Summit: Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders; not to exceed \$1,500 from November 12, 2019 through December 15, 2019.

A new contract with United Way of Central Alabama (payor) for grant to support the work for the Leadership Summit: Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders to offset expenses of Clarus Consulting contract costs; not to exceed \$6,150 from January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) for a grant for improving Alabamians Health Through Prevention and Management of Diabetes; not to exceed \$55,000 from October 1, 2019 through June 29, 2020.

Renewal of a contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health (payor) to provide funding for Disease Intervention Specialist within the JCDH STD Program to conduct case investigations for a rate not to exceed \$90,000 from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

A new contract with Iron Financial, LLC to provide fiduciary investment management services and act as the fiduciary for the optional Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc., employee-paid 457(b) deferred compensation plan with no funds involved from November 1, 2019 and ongoing.

A new contract with Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc. to provide an optional employee-paid 457(b) deferred compensation plan with no funds involved from November 1, 2019 and ongoing.

# Appointment of 2020 Rabies Officer

On the motion of Dr. Carter, and seconded by Dr. Clayton, the following resolution was approved.

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Dawkins, D.V.M. has confirmed that he is desirous of being appointed the Rabies Officer for Jefferson County for the year 2020 as evidenced by his letter dated November 21, 2019.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Thomas P. Dawkins, D.V.M. be appointed as the Rabies Officer for Jefferson County for the year 2020.

# Signatures on Bank Accounts

On the motion of Dr. Carter, and seconded by Dr. Clayton, the following resolution was approved.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Jefferson County Board of Health authorizes signatures for the bank accounts for the Jefferson County Department of Health as follows:

# Regions Bank of Birmingham

**Investment Accounts** 

(One signature required)

- #1010004727 JCDH Professional and General Liability Trust
- #M57901 Section 115 Trust
- #1051002420 Regions Trust Cash Sweep Account
- #1051002439 Low Duration Investment Account
- #1051002448 Enhanced Cash Investment Account

Authorized Signatures:

Mark E. Wilson, M.D. Rodney Holmes

Toni Bellina Loretta Hicks

Health Credit Union - #1334 00 - Payroll Account

(One signature required)

Authorized Signatures:

Toni Bellina

Loretta Hicks

Health Credit Union - #35480 - TB Compliance Account

(One signature required)

Authorized Signatures:

Charles Esther Kellum

Rachael Hobgood

Toni Bellina Loretta Hicks

Wells Fargo Advisors - #1335-9530 and #1669-6837 Investment Account

Authorized Signatures:

Mark E. Wilson, M.D.

Rodney L. Holmes

Toni Bellina Loretta Hicks

Wells Fargo Bank - #2000019337513 - Operating Account

**Authorized Signatures:** 

Loretta Hicks

Mark E. Wilson, M.D.

Rodney Holmes
Toni Bellina

Wells Fargo Bank - #2000019337539 - OJI- Medical Claims Account

Authorized Signatures:

Loretta Hicks

Mark Sparks, Brentwood Services, Inc.

Collette Mangold, Brentwood Services, Inc.

Toni Bellina

Wells Fargo Bank - #4424992907 - Flexible Spending Account

Authorized Signatures:

Loretta Hicks

Mark E. Wilson, M.D.

Rodney Holmes

Toni Bellina

This resolution supersedes any previous resolutions in contravention with this action.

# **Board of Health Self-Evaluation Summary**

Bryn Manzella, MPH, Director of Quality Improvement, reviewed the results of the Board's Self-Evaluation for 2019. Five of the six surveys distributed were returned. The survey was based on a 7 point scale with an overall mean score of 6.92 or 98.86 percent, which is slightly higher than 2018. Ms. Manzella said she would welcome suggestions from the Board on how to improve the survey. She thanked the Board for participating in the survey.

# **Health Officer Report**

# **Tobacco Related Updates**

## Smoke-Free Health District

Dr. Wilson reported that work continues on the implementation and signage plan for the Smoke-Free Health District approved by the Birmingham City Council in October 2019. Temporary signage should go out within the next few months with permanent signage planned for a later date. Plans include sidewalk markers, signage plans for the participating organizations, as well as other businesses who happen to be within the district, and JCDH food establishment inspectors will be providing education to the businesses on the new ordinance.

# Birmingham Smoke-Free Ordinance

Dr. Wilson noted that strategy discussions are taking place to add e-cigarettes and vaping to the current Birmingham smoke-free ordinance. Dr. Walley, Dr. Wilson and Ashley Lyerly, from the American Lung Association, met today. The American Lung Association has offered to provide draft language for the revised ordinance and meetings will be scheduled with the Birmingham City Council members at some point.

# Jefferson County Mayor's Association

Dr. Wilson reported that the Jefferson County Mayor's Association has scheduled a half day retreat on January 15, 2020 to talk about mutual project opportunities. Some mayors have expressed concerns over youth and vaping so Dr. Wilson has been invited to speak to the group about potential policy opportunities around this subject. Dr. Wilson is pleased with the recent federal law passed that raises the minimum age for tobacco purchases to age 21.

#### Syringe Service Program (SSP)

Dr. Wilson reported that a bill has been drafted to set up a pilot SSP in Jefferson County and will be pre-filed in the upcoming Alabama Legislative Session. Dr. Wesley Willeford, Medical Director of Disease Control, convened a group of community partners today to begin planning, so that if the bill does pass, Jefferson County will be prepared to get something implemented fairly quickly.

# Surgeon General

Dr. Wilson noted that Region 4 of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services has notified him that the Surgeon General is planning a trip to Alabama but the date has not been finalized. Meetings with Dr. Wilson, the State Health Officer, and visits to the Recovery Resource Center and Walker County, are being considered for the visit.

# "Getting to Zero"

Dr. Wilson was pleased to announce the completion of a draft countywide strategic plan for ending HIV transmission in Jefferson County called "Getting to Zero." Input was received from multiple local stakeholders and representatives of the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH). The strategic plan is in alignment with the federal "Ending the HIV Epidemic" initiative announced last February, which targets Alabama as one of the rural states that will receive extra federal funding. Dr. Wilson will send the strategic plan to the Board members.

# Community Health Assessment (CHA)

Dr. Wilson reported that Ms. Manzella and the Quality Improvement/Decision Support (QIDS) staff have published the 2019 Community Health Assessment. The assessment will guide the 2020-2024 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) for Jefferson County. Dr. Wilson said the report is available on the JCDH's website and he will send a link to the Board members.

The number one strategic issue identified for informing the 2020-2024 CHIP was Controlling Gun Violence and Improving Community Safety. This is also a strategic priority in the current JCDH strategic plan. Ms. Manzella and QIDS staff will be taking the lead to organize efforts around this topic.

# Safety Net Leaders

Dr. Wilson stated that the Safety Net Leaders, a group which has met for the last year and a half to look at coordination of adult indigent health care in Jefferson County, continues to talk with UAB about their plans to take over the indigent care fund and Cooper Green Mercy Health Services. The Safety Net Leaders have encouraged UAB to work with the group to develop a community-wide system of care for indigent patients in Jefferson County. UAB has agreed to do a strategic planning process with the Safety Net Leaders and has asked Clarus Consulting to conduct the process.

# Air Pollution Permit

Dr. Wilson stated that the air pollution permit for Bluestone Resources, Inc. (the former ERP Coke) will soon be up for renewal. JCDH will be working with the community to obtain public engagement and perhaps extending the deadline for public comments on the permit.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Susan Walley, MD, Secretary

Approved:

Sylvie Stacy, MD, Chair