

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, November 13, 2019 - 5:00 p.m. 5th Floor Board Room

PRESENT:

Joshua Miller, DO, Yocunda Clayton, MD, Sylvie Stacy, MD, and Kenny

Murray, MD

ABSENT:

Commissioner Jimmie Stephens and Hernando Carter, MD

OTHERS

PRESENT:

David Hicks, DO, Senitra Blackburn, Kim Cason, Rodney Holmes, Bryn

Manzella, David Maxey, Esq., and Denisa Pridmore

Call to Order

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

Minutes

Minutes of the October 9, 2019 meeting were approved as distributed.

Strategic Plan Update

David Hicks, DO, MPH, FAAFP, Deputy Health Officer, presented updates from the JCDH Strategic Plan Implementation for the first and second quarters of 2019. Highlights from the Scope of Services: Infant Mortality included integrating dental services with prenatal care in the From Day One program since poor oral health has been linked to adverse birth outcomes such as preterm birth and low birthweight. Updates from the County/Customer Relationship Strategic Priority included implementation of an electronic benefit transfer card (eWIC) for the Women, Infants, and Children program. The County/Customer Relationship Strategic Priority has addressed patient's access to care by developing an extended hours clinic model with UAB Pediatric Primary Care Clinic one day per week. The Culture and People Strategic Priority's Tactic Team has been planning for ways to integrate training for inequity and Social Determinants of Health throughout JCDH.

Dr. Hicks discussed the Technology & Tools: Performance Management Strategic Priority. The Performance Management tactic is a way to set meaningful goals that support JCDH's mission and strategic priorities, and measure progress toward achieving those goals as an organization or work unit. Five program areas have exceeded their target performance level during the first two quarters of 2019: Prevention & Epidemiology, Tuberculosis, Environmental Health/Food and Lodging, Finance and Administration/Human Resources, and Quality Improvement & Decision Support.

September and October 2019 Financial Statements

Rodney Holmes, CPA, Director of Finance & Administration, reviewed the September and October 2019 Financial Statements. Mr. Holmes answered questions from the Board.

Contracts

On the motion of Dr. Murray, and seconded by Dr. Stacy, the following contracts were approved:

Renewal of a contract with Derrick Lewis (payee) to coordinate schedules for all contracted police officers for JCDH, as well as provide security services to JCDH at a rate of \$27.50 per hour; not to exceed \$75,625 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Renewal of the following contracts (payees) to provide security services for JCDH at a rate of \$23.50 per hour; not to exceed \$64,625 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020:

Roger Eady, Alton Harville, Eric Jones, Gregory Edge, Larry D. Scott, Jesse Bell, Alanda McCurdy, Michael Jeffries, Donna Logan, and Michael D. Howard.

New contracts for the following (payees) to provide security services for JCDH at a rate of \$23.50 per hour; not to exceed \$64,625 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020:

William T. Camp, Antonio Hampton, Glenn Ward Pleasant, and Cameroun Tremble

Renewal of a contract with Curvature, Inc. (payee) to provide maintenance services for STORAGETEK L700E tape library; not to exceed \$4,992 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

A new contract with Brian Crawford d/b/a B Brian, Inc. (payee) to provide music production/event coordination services for JCDH Team Experience Event; not to exceed \$500 for October 18, 2019 through October 18, 2019.

A new contract with Mykeon Smith d/b/a Images by Mykeon (payee) to provide photography services for JCDH Team Experience Event; not to exceed \$550 from October 18, 2019 through October 18, 2019.

A new contract with Fredrick L. Powell d/b/a Fredtography, LLC (payee) to provide photography kiosk for JCDH Team Experience Event; not to exceed \$795 from October 18, 2019 through October 18, 2019.

A new contract with Corey Rogers d/b/a C-Breeze Productions, LLC (payee) to provide audio, visual and lighting services for JCDH Team Experience Event; not to exceed \$950 from October 18, 2019 through October 18, 2019.

A new contract with Double Edge Events, Inc. (payee) to provide décor for JCDH's Team Experience Event; not to exceed \$7,295 from October 18, 2019 through October 18, 2019.

A new contract with Sign Geeks, LLC (payee) to prove signage services for JCDH Team Experience Event; not to exceed \$1,330 from October 18, 2019 through October 18, 2019.

A new contract with LRY Media Group, LLC (payee) to provide event planning services for JCDH Team Experience Event; not to exceed \$16,755.28 from October 18, 2019 through October 18, 2019.

A new contract with Neopost USA, Inc. (payee) to provide postage meter rental and maintenance on postage equipment for Guy M. Tate Building mailroom; not to exceed \$1,500 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

A new contract with Flash Forward Media, LLC (payee) to provide vehicle wrap services and graphics to one RV and three Nissan Leaf vehicles; not to exceed \$11,215 from October 9, 2019 through October 9, 2020.

A new contract with Alabama Power Company (payee) to supply electric service to JCDH property located at 631 Bessemer Super Highway, Birmingham at the Public Service Commission rate from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2024.

A new contract with Nearen Construction Company, LLC (payee) to renovate the Guy M. Tate Building lobby and Management Information Systems area at a rate of \$1,529,000; not to exceed \$1,681,900 from September 17, 2019 through September 27, 2020.

Renewal of a contract with Fontenot Benefits and Actuarial Consulting, LLC (payee) for Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) statement 74/75 Other Postemployment Benefits reporting proposal for actuarial study valuation services required by GASB to be conducted every two years at a rate of \$3,500 per year; not to exceed \$10,500 from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2021.

A new contract with AMT Staffing (payee) to provide qualified medical assistants and other professional healthcare personnel on an as needed basis to assist with hepatitis A vaccinations at the following rates: Registered Nurses at \$47 per hour; Licensed Practical Nurses at \$32 per hour; Medical Assistants at \$24 per hour; Billing/Coding at \$24 per hour and up from August 27, 2019 through August 27, 2020.

A new bid contract with AE Insurance, LLC d/b/a American Exchange, LLC (payee) to provide certified billing coding specialist services to JCDH per RFP #20-10-01 and travel cost of \$170.52 per trip from November 1, 2019 through October 31, 2022.

A new contract with University of Alabama Health Services Foundation, P.C. Pediatric Primary Care Clinic at The Children's Hospital of Alabama to coordinate clinic operations between JCDH and Pediatric Primary Care Clinic to offer extended hours clinic services to existing patients of both facilities with no funds involved from November 1, 2019 through October 31, 2020.

Deputy Health Officer Report

Acting Health Officer

Dr. Hicks informed the Board that Dr. Wilson is away on a medical mission trip in Mexico this week.

Hepatitis A Outreach and Response

Dr. Hicks reported that JCDH remains in Incident Command System (ICS) for Hepatitis A. Currently there are 171 cases in Alabama and 6 cases in Jefferson County. JCDH has issued 1,428 Hepatitis A vaccines since the outbreak was declared in Jefferson County.

Dr. Hicks stated that within the next few days, there will be billboard messages in targeted areas and bus sides promoting vaccination and handwashing. A unique phone number will be assigned to call for more information, 205-850-HEPA.

Dr. Wilson is scheduled to meet with Sheriff Mark Pettway regarding access to the county jail to provide Hepatitis A vaccines.

Measles

Dr. Hicks noted there are eight confirmed cases of measles in Georgia but none in Alabama. JCDH continues to work with ADPH to facilitate testing of local suspected cases.

Smoke-Free Health District

Dr. Hicks said the Birmingham City Council approved a Smoke-Free Health District on October 15, 2019 that includes approximately 100 city blocks effective December 1, 2019. This includes outdoor public spaces around JCDH, Cooper Green Mercy Health Services, Veteran's Administration Medical Center, UAB, UAB Medical Center, Southern Research Institute, and Children's Hospital of Alabama. Plans will be made to ask the City of Birmingham to add vaping and e-cigarettes to its smoke-free ordinance at a later date.

E-cigarette, or Vaping, Product Use Associated Lung Injury (EVALI)

Dr. Hicks reported that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has given vaping-related illness an official name: e-cigarette or vaping product use associated lung injury (EVALI). As of November 6, 2019, ADPH has five confirmed cases of EVALI in Alabama of which there has been one death. There have been no reported cases in Jefferson County.

Changes in Alabama's vape laws were reflected in Act #2019-233 and went into effect on August 1, 2019. The act introduced major changes for retailers who advertise and/or sell alternative nicotine products, including vape devices and liquids, in the state of Alabama. These changes are geared toward limiting marketing that targets minors, as well as limiting minors' access to alternative nicotine products.

Getting to Zero (Ending HIV/AIDS Epidemic) Strategic Plan

Dr. Hicks reported that the HIV Re-engagement Program (HREP) is a new initiative from ADPH's Office of HIV Prevention and Care. The purpose of HREP is to enhance the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part B through the provision of additional strategies to stem the transmission

of HIV by identifying HIV positive individuals "not in care" for the past one to ten years through re-engagement activities. Identification and referral to care will be facilitated by ADPH's community based social workers within the districts and will work with care facilities to include AIDS Service Organizations, Federally Qualified Health Centers, teaching hospitals and other community-based organizations, meeting the standards of care set forth by Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and the national HIV initiatives. There will be four HREP teams across the state with Tuscaloosa and Blount teams covering Jefferson County clients.

Update on New Physician

Dr. Hicks provided an update on the credentialing the Board approved for Dr. Danika Hickman at the October meeting. Dr. Hickman has decided to not accept the Public Health Medical Officer position with JCDH.

JCDH Team Experience Day

Dr. Hicks stated that the JCDH Team Experience Day was a huge success on October 18, 2019. Staff received meaningful training on customer service.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Kenny Murray, MD, MPH, Secretary

Approved:

Yocunda Clayton, M