

**Family Planning Advisory Meeting
October 23, 2008**

Present: Kristi Villalobos (FP Coordinator), Nancy Laethem (LIST), Susan Walker (Great Start Collaborative), Kathy LaPonsie RN (CCHS), Tina Middaugh (TBHS/BOH)

Absent: Ann Hepfer (TCHD Nursing Adm.), Dr. Bush (TCHD Medical Dir.), Laura Nolan (DHS),

❖ **Meeting called to order at 8:30 a. m. by Kristi Villalobos**

Membership: Kathy LaPonsie and Susan Walker are our newest members. Kathy is the RN for the Cass City Public Schools and Susan is the Coordinator of HSCC and Great Start Community Collaborative. It was noted that Laura Hendricks' name has changed to Laura Nolan. Sue McElroy has retired, Tina has offered to speak to and provide contact information for Kristi to Sue's replacement, Jenny House at TBHS.

Minutes:

April 24, 2008 minutes were reviewed and approved with no changes by Nancy Laethem, second by Susan Walker.

Areas of Discussion:

Kristi gave a quick overview of the Family Planning Program, including Plan First insurance which is offered through the state for women between the ages 19 to 44. The income guidelines to qualify are at or below 185% of poverty level. Once approved, coverage is good for one year for F.P. services. An overview was given for the Breast and Cervical Program's Special project, which pays for abnormal pap smear follow up for clients who are uninsured or underinsured. A copy of the 2009 family planning work plan was provided. Ideas were given regarding community presentations, i.e. Cass City Schools and the Transitions group.

FPAR: (Family Planning Annual Report)

FPAR is submitted quarterly, Kristi gave an overview of the third quarter report that was submitted recently to the state. We have met our numbers for Title X users for the year. We are at 60% of our projected number of 368 for Plan First Users. The pill remains the number one choice of birth control method, followed by the Depo Provera injection. Kristi also stated that our numbers were low for the male users, as of this quarter we have seen 5 male users.

Caseload:

Our projected unduplicated caseload for 2009 is 628 Title X clients (was 667 in 2008). The projected number for Plan First Users is 281 (was 368 in 2008). An explanation was given regarding the dollar amount paid per user and that although our assigned caseload is lower than historically we are still servicing a large number of clients. With a current caseload of 667, we have seen 1070 unduplicated clients already in the first three quarters of 2008.

Client Satisfaction survey:

We conduct an agency wide satisfaction survey once a year (spring) in lieu of a program specific survey. The comments were very positive. They liked the evenings hours provided twice a month, cleanliness of our building, exam rooms and friendly staff.

Review Education Packets/materials:

Members reviewed the existing male and female education packets that are given to the new clients. After discussion of the contents, consensus was keep existing materials but to also add the TCHD family planning program flyer so that clients have contact information and a summary of services. Four new educational pamphlets were purchased to be given out in clinic: "Birth Control Guide", "Sexual Coercion", "Cutters" and "Drug Facts". All four have been surveyed by clients with a favorable result. Summary of surveys and client comments reviewed. Motion to accept material for use was made by Susan Walker and seconded by Kathy LaPonsie.

Manual Changes:

The family planning and STI manual are in process of annual revisions. The programs overlap in many instances. Kristi reported the higher incidence of Chlamydia in Tuscola County lately. New guidelines for testing partners of positive chlamydia and Gonorrhea clients versus just treating are in place as well as having positives retest three months post treatment. The retreatment is a result of a high incidence of re-infection and not treatment failure.

Conclusion:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30a.m. Next meeting will be Thursday, April 23, 2009

Respectfully submitted
by Elva Gutierrez