

**Cincinnati Board of Health  
Board of Health Meeting  
April 23, 2013**

Ms. Kinley, Chairperson of the Board of Health, called the April 23, 2013 meeting of the Cincinnati Board of Health to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board members present:** Dr. Camille Graham, Ms. Joyce Kinley, Mr. Ernest McAdams, Mr. Daniel Molina, Dr. Richard Schwen, Dr. Kelly Firesheets, Dr. Denise Davis

**Board members absent:** Dr. Mark Dato, Dr. Donna Shambley-Ebron

**Senior Staff Present:** Dr. Larry Holditch, Dr. Mohammad Alam, Dr. Steven Englender, Mr. Bob Schlantz, Dr. Noble Maseru, Mr. Rocky Merz, Dr. Marilyn Crumpton, Dr. Elizabeth Kelly, Dr. Camille Jones (via conference call).

**RESOLUTION - MEDICAID MAXIMIZATION (Attachment No. 1)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion and Mr. McAdams seconded the motion,

“That the Board of Health approve Resolution No. 2013-05 identified as Attachment No. 1.”

**Vote/Action:** passed and approved

**STATE OF OHIO MEDICAID MAXIMIZATION RECOGNITION**

The Health Department recognized nine people for their efforts in the approval to enhance Medicaid payments to the City of Cincinnati; they were as follows: Ohio Senator Eric Kearney, State Representative Alicia Reece, former State Representative Tyrone Yates, former Cincinnati Vice Mayor David Crowley, Cincinnati resident and public servant Bernadette Watson, Cincinnati resident Dick Weiland, Greg Moody, Director of Office of Health Transformation, Joseph Doodan ODJFS, and Gaylee Morgan, Consultant.

Dr. Maseru provided background information about the Medicaid Maximization efforts of key members in the Cincinnati-Hamilton County community, which began in 2008. This Medicaid Maximization approval provides the Health Department with approximately \$1 million annually from the state. The Health Department should have been receiving funding for the Medicaid Maximization but had not been. This had been a

six or seven year process, which was a crucial part in the sustainability of primary and preventive care services.

**PRESENTATION: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FDA GRANT,  
FIRST YEAR PROGRESS REPORT**

Presenters: Dr. Bill Mase, Ken Sharkey and Valerie Lasko

The FDA grant is a 5 year renewable grant for \$70,000 per year, for a total of \$350,000. The purpose is to enhance the Cincinnati Health Department's (CHD) food inspection program by developing policies, standardization procedures and standardized practices. This would ultimately reduce the number of foodborne illnesses by delivering enhanced services to the local communities. This model has the potential to be duplicated across the nation. Annually, CHD conducts up to 6,000 inspections and approximately 5,000 re-inspections.

A Staff Needs Assessment was conducted using Survey Monkey for CHD staff to participate. The purpose of the survey was to assess the training needs of CHD's food protection staff and identify gaps in skills and knowledge.

**FEBRUARY 26 MINUTES (ATTACHMENT NO. 2)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion to approve the minutes of February 26, 2013 and Dr. Firesheets seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**MARCH 26 MINUTES (ATTACHMENT NO. 3)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion to approve the minutes of March 26, 2013 and Mr. McAdams seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**ROUTINE PERSONNEL ACTIONS (Attachment No. 4)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion and Dr. Davis seconded the motion,

“That the Board of Health approve the personnel actions on the list identified as Attachment No. 4 dated April 18, 2013 contingent upon the candidates passing physicals, drug screens and background checks to the satisfaction of the Health Commissioner.”

**Discussion:** Quanna Murphy was recommended as a pharmacy technician.

**Vote/Action:** passed and approved

## FINANCIAL REPORT – BOB SCHLANZ

The referendum on the parking initiative would have an impact on the Health Department. The budget that was submitted by the City Manager had a Plan A (parking revenue) and a Plan B (identifying positions to be eliminated from city staff). Budgets were being prepared for the next two years for each scenario.

### GRANTS/CONTRACTS

- A. University Hospital Center for Women’s Health - Contract Amendment (Attachment No.5 ) Up to \$99,200 7/1/2012 thru 6/30/2014 – Dr. Jennifer Mooney

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and University Hospital Center for Women’s Health to hire providers and support staff in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$99,200 effective July 1, 2012 to on or before June 30, 2014.”

Second: Dr. Graham

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- B. Health Care Access Now - Contract Amendment (Attachment No. 6)  
Up to \$124,000 7/1/2012 thru 6/30/2014 – Dr. Jennifer Mooney

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Health Care Access Now as Care Coordinator for the Reproductive Health and Wellness Program in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$124,000 effective July 1, 2012 to on or before June 30, 2014.”

Second: Dr. Davis

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- C. Neighborhood Health Care - Contract Amendment (Attachment No. 7)  
Up to \$120,000 7/1/2012 thru 6/30/2014 – Dr. Jennifer Mooney

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Neighborhood Health Care for the Reproductive Health and Wellness Program to extend the term of the contract for an additional 12 months, effective July 1, 2012 to on or before June 30, 2014.”

Second: Mr. McAdams

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- D. Angela Robinson - Contract Amendment (Attachment No. 8)  
Up to \$107,720 5/25/2012 thru 5/24/2014 - Dr. Marilyn Crumpton

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Angela Robinson to increase the original amount of the agreement by \$57,000 for a total of up to but not in excess of \$107,720, and to extend the term of the contract for one additional year, effective May 25, 2012 to on or before May 25, 2014.”

Second: Dr. Firesheets

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- E. Dr. Ron Miller - Contract (Attachment No. 9) Up to \$72,000 5/1/2013 thru 4/30/2015 - Dr. Marilyn Crumpton

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Dr. Ron Miller as optometrist to provide clinical services at the OneSight Vision Center at Oyler School in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$72,000 effective May 1, 2013 to on or before April 30, 2015.”

Second: Mr. McAdams

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- F. Cynthia Heinrich - Contract Amendment (Attachment No.10)  
Up to \$36,000 7/1/2012 thru 6/30/2014 – Kelli Kohake

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Cynthia Heinrich as consultant for the Cincinnati-Hamilton County Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) to extend the term of the contract for one additional year, effective July 1, 2012 to on or before June 30, 2014.”

Second: Dr. Firesheets

Vote/Action: passed and approved

(G through P are part of the City Readiness Initiative and can be voted on as a group)  
8/10/2013 – 6/30/2014 (Attachment No. 11) - Dr. Steven Englender

- G. Brown County Board of Health – Up to \$14,705
- H. Butler County Board of Health – Up to \$59,909
- I. Clermont County Board of Health – Up to \$47,881
- J. Board of Health for the City of Hamilton – Up to \$10,500
- K. Hamilton County Board of Health – Up to \$111,386
- L. Board of Health for City of Middletown – Up to \$10,500
- M. Norwood Board of Health – Up to \$5,250
- N. Board of Health for the City of Sharonville – Up to \$5,250
- O. Springdale Board of Health – Up to \$5,250
- P. Warren County Board of Health – Up to \$50,857

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contracts to allow the Counties specified to support planning efforts for the Cities Readiness Initiative in the amount of approximately \$437,883 effective July 1, 2013 to on or before June 30, 2014.”

Second: Mr. McAdams

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- Q. NACCHO – Grant (Attachment No. 12)  
\$11,000 2/1/2013 thru 9/29/2013 – Dr. Camille Jones

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and NACCHO for Developing Capacity to Deliver Chronic Disease Self-Management Programs (CDSMP) Workshops in the amount of \$11,000 effective February 1, 2013 through September 29, 2013.”

Second: Dr. Davis

Vote/Action: passed and approved

### **HEALTH COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS / BOARD MEMBERS’ COMMENTS / OTHER BUSINESS**

Dr. Holditch – The implementation guide was completed for the Patient Centered Medical Home initiative. An application would be submitted for each individual health center to be a certified PCMH. Retreats were scheduled for each health center’s staff. The retreat for the Elm Street Health Center staff was a success.

A pediatrician decided to resign effective May 10; a candidate was selected to fill the position, however, could not be hired immediately due to the hiring freeze. There would still be coverage through June.

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Dr. Englander – A new influenza (H7N9) was discovered only in China. This flu was a low pathogen infection which was not a real threat to the bird population. However, in the last eight weeks, the total number of illness was at 108, with 22 fatalities. It was still unknown whether this flu would burn itself out, or if it would adapt and spread among humans. So far this year there were over 100 pediatric deaths due to influenza in the U.S. The CDC put out recommendations for travelers going to and from China. Elderly men in China were at particular risk for reasons unknown.

The Cincinnati Flying Pig marathon was approaching, in the wake of the Boston marathon bombing. Preparation was underway to ensure the safety of participants.

The Cities Readiness Initiative program evaluations/scores for CHD had continued to rise over the last several years, with the most recent score of 99%.

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Dr. Kelly – Through an initiative to connect women to social services during pregnancy, they would be offered same-day or next day prenatal services. Three months into the project, almost 100% of women had been offered same-day care. This initiative began at Elm Street Health Center. Prior to this program, prenatal care services during the first trimester received were about 49%; after the program that number climbed to 68%.

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Dr. Jones – A Lead Remediation and Mold grant was awarded by CCTST to the Environmental Health program. The scope of services provided by the Healthy Homes program was being enhanced.

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Ms. Carlyn – Three nurses from CHD were nominees for the Florence Nightingale Awards for Excellence; a fourth nurse was a recipient of the Dean's Award.

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Ms. Tate – The Board of Health Officers attended the annual CCPC Board training. Two of the nurses nominated for the Florence Nightingale Awards were from the Primary Care division.

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Dr. Crumpton – The Children's Oral Health Network had been involved in provider education for school health services. There was an epidemic of early childhood tooth decay, locally and nationwide. It is advised that children have their first dental visit at age one, however, this had been occurring much later. Another component of the Children's Oral Health Network was to work on expanding the dental health capacity by adding dental services at two School Based Health Center (SBHC) sites.

A request for a planning grant for the Mt. Airy SBHC had been submitted. CHD was working on a rapid cycle improvement collaborative with Children's Hospital. The purpose was to accomplish two main goals: in the non-SBHC schools, to ensure that students with asthma have a medical home; and in the schools with SBHC's to ensure that an Asthma Action Plan is in place in the event of an emergency. Schools with SBHCs have a much higher rate of students without medical homes.

Several conferences had been held in other cities to look at the work of CHD's School Health Program.

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Mr. Merz – National Public Health Week (NPHW) was the first week of April. CHD had established a committee to put together events and program materials to distribute city-

wide. The theme this year was “Return On Investment”. Planning had begun for NPHW 2014.

New equipment was in place for the auditorium at the Burnet and King campus. The new projectors would improve capabilities during events for public health preparedness, allowing CHD to connect with local entities such as City Hall.

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Ms. Kinley and Dr. Schwen acknowledged the work and leadership done by CHD and thanked everyone for their efforts.

General information from the State was provided for the Board members at their leisure. The National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) was referenced for additional information.

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Board member Dr. Firesheets presented an award for the many years of collaborative work between CHD and the Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati in the advancement of health in the region. Dr. Maseru acknowledged the accomplishments and successes as a result of the support from the Health Foundation. He thanked Dr. Firesheets for the recognition.

The Health Foundation had been making strategic changes from access to health to health promotion activities. Feedback sessions for the public to attend were scheduled.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Board of Health meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2013.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Kinley adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

Minutes Approved by:

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Ashley Auciello, Clerk to the Board  
Cincinnati Board of Health

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Joyce Kinley, BA  
Chairperson, Board of Health

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