Vaccine Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Friday, January 28, 2022

Present: Lisa Karle, Betsy Wiest, George Fickenworth, Leatrice Schoolcraft, Jennie Hagerty, Pat Stucke, Sean O’Neill, Mary Viglione, Pat Tracy, Rita Scrimenti, Dave Deter, Niken Carpenter, Sherrai Holland, Jenn Woodard

Not Present: Colleen Hammon, Steve Walters, Cris Taylor, Gary Horton, Mary Louise Imbrugio, Laura Luther, Liz McCormick, Lisa Boyd, Missy Niedzielski, Barb Lewis, Chelsea Bates, Darrell Smith, Kathy Lamb

The meeting started at 10:03 a.m.

Lisa Karle and George Fickenworth: Opened the meeting and greeted participants

Health Provider Updates:

**Chelsea Bates/Laura Luther/Kathy Lamb - Health Department:** Not available for the meeting.

**Sherrai Holland, Community Health Ne**t:

* Monday, 1/31/22 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. will be at ECM to provide Moderna vaccines and Boosters. Encouraging people to have their cards available. For those who don’t have their card, CHN will have their computers with them to look up their vaccination status.
* Regular vaccine clinic at CHN by scheduling appointments online. Appointments open a week at a time due to staffing. Vaccine clinic is open on Friday mornings.
* Tested at SPH and all tested negative.
* Continuing to test at ECM in the New Life Center.
* CHN received the Quick View home test kits and will make them available to providers if CHN is not available to conduct tests.

**Question** asked if there are differences in the rapid tests. Some tests take a few more steps and the time for the results may differ.

**Question** asked with the rapid tests, once the 2nd line shows up, is it positive? Sherrai indicated Yes if even if the 2nd line is faint but you can see a line, it is still positive and should be treated as such.

**Question** asked how soon after a positive COVID can a person get a vaccination? Sherrai indicated the vaccine can then be given 90 days after but when in doubt, check with your doctor.

**Question** asked if home test is positive, what do they do? George indicated that it depends on who/where you are. His son was directed to notify the school. George must notify his employer. Rapid tests have changed the game. Lisa said the DOH said on a previous call that positive results should be reported to the DOH if you have not been directed to report elsewhere. The general thought is that for every 1 positive home test, there may be 5 additional positive cases.

**Question** asked if CHN reports positive tests when they test in a shelter. Sherrai confirmed they do notify the DOH.

**Homeless Provider Updates:**

**Pat Stucke (MHA):** In the Consumer Center (daytime drop-in center), KN95 masks are required for all consumers and staff.

**Pat Tracy (Sunday Supper):** Will start giving incentive cards for booster shots this weekend.

**Mary Viglione**: No updates at this time.

**Sean O’Neill** **(ECCM):** No updates at this time. Continuing to screen COVID information in HMIS and those in Isolation and sending notices to providers on a daily basis. This is very helpful to providers.

**Jennie Hagerty (MCW):** Thank you to Pat and Jenn for recent loan of tests. Two weekends ago, they had a confirmed mother and child. Thanks to her amazing staff, they were able to test and keep everyone safe. They are heading in the right direction. Have been awarded additional funds for the vaccine incentive gift cards. Hamot Health Foundation donated $1,000 for gift cards and Jennie will acknowledge that gift with a letter.

**Niken Carpenter (COE**): No updates at this time.

**Jenn Woodard (COC**): No updates at this time.

**Dave Deter (City of Erie):** Applications for CDBG and ESG for FY 2022 are due today.

**Rita Scrimenti (Emmaus):** No updates at this time.

**Leatrice Schoolcraft:** No updates at this time.

**Betsy Wiest (SPH):** Had a guest report as COVID positive. No new people were admitted to the program for five days. All guests were tested on 1/21 and again 5 days later. All tests on both days were negative. Program is back to COVID normal.

Sam’s Club was giving out free KN95 masks yesterday. Discussion occurred about the difference between N95 and KN95 masks. Sherrai showed what an N95 mask looks like.

**Additional Conversation Notes:**

Sherrai indicated that the event at ECM on Monday will be vaccines only – no testing. CHN is meeting today to put plans together for this event. Sherrai will reach out to Darrell for timing. Vaccine Ambassadors should be at ECM at 11:15 a.m in the Chapel.

For those who pass out vaccine gift cards, be sure to annotate on the back:

Date

Amount given in gift card (i.e., $10, $20, etc.)

Initials of person dispensing the incentive card

If someone shows up with a card with no annotation, go ahead and give the incentive for the vaccines.

Pat T. will bring her vaccine list to assist with knowing who might have received incentives.

**Jokes for the day:**

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Per Jennie Hagerty: Need an ark? I NOAH guy!

Per Betsy: What is a penguin’s favorite game show? Whale of Fortune!

Date for the next meeting: Friday, February 4, 2022