



Visioneering Health Care Alliance Meeting May 16, 2007 Meeting Notes

Attendees: Jan Arbuckle, Eddie Bannon, Claudia Blackburn, Jack Brown, Susan Bumsted, Mary Campuzano, Steve Coen, Curtis Higgins, Vicki Daniel, Debbie Donaldson, Carolyn Earnest, Maria Engelhardt, Rita Flickinger, Kendall Heier, Hoyt Hillman, Jessie Kaye, Dennis Manson, Anne Nelson, Marci Nielson, Tim Norton, Tina Payne, Dave Powell, Bryan Riley, Brian Rose, Jon Rosell, Matt Schrock, Kathy Sexton, Lou Smith, Tamra Wilkey, Jessica Tarbell, Kathy Thompson, Trent Nichols, Lisa Vermillion, Bev White, Jane Byrnes, Walt Chapel

Leadership Team: Anne Nelson, Claudia Blackburn, Colleen Parker, Denny Bender, Doren Fredrickson, Hoyt Hillman, Jack Brown, Jessica Tarbell, Kathy Sexton, Kathy Thompson, Mary Fusco, Mary Koehn, Patti Moser, Ron Whiting, Susan Bumsted

The Purpose of the Healthcare Alliance meeting

- Health & Wellness Coalition Update
- Kansas Health Policy Authority presentation

Health & Wellness Coalition Update

Jessica Tarbell gave an update on the Health & Wellness Coalition. The Coalition is now 3 years old with over 40 members representing 25 different organizations. They are the champion for the Health Care Alliance's physical activity and nutrition focus groups. Their working committees (access, conference, marketing, school, nutrition/food policy and measures) will target these focus groups. The 3rd Annual Working Well Conference will be held August 28th at the Airport Hilton, 2098 S Airport Road. Jessica's PowerPoint presentation is posted on the Visioneering website at the following links:

<http://www.visioneeringwichita.com/minutes/hc/KHPA%20PP%20Part%201.pdf>

<http://www.visioneeringwichita.com/minutes/hc/KHPA%20PP%20Part%202.pdf>

Kansas Health Policy Presentation

Marcia Nielsen, executive director of the Kansas Health Policy Authority presented Health Reform in Kansas: *Progress to Build Upon*. Dr. Nielsen shared the progress of health reform in Kansas. The overarching goals of health reform are to: (1) Provide and protect access to affordable quality health care for all Kansans; (2) Prevent illness before it starts and; (3) Promote personal responsibility for health as individuals and communities – this includes asking families to pay for health care to the extent they can afford it. Kansas is ahead of many states in reform, beginning in 2005 with the creation of KHPA. A great deal of work is going on right now. It is a "work in progress". Senate Bill 11 was passed by the legislature this session. Some of the provisions of that bill are: (1) premium assistance plan; (2) assistance for small businesses through grants and loan purchase health insurance; (3) creation of an Inspector General Medicaid; (4) increase newborn screening for diseases; (5) guaranteeing capital loans for safety net clinics. Their approach to health reform will be data driven with analysis and stakeholder input. Dr. Nielsen's PowerPoint presentation is posted on the Visioneering website at the following links:

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Next Meetings

Leadership Team: May 25, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Chamber

Alliance Meeting: TBD