

HealthLink

Miami Valley

Management Team Meeting

June 17, 2003

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Kettering Center

MINUTES

1. **Introductions**

Attending: Rudy Arnold (MVHIC), Kate Cauley (WSU), Kimberly Conner (WSU), Mary Crimmins (WSU), Vern Erikson (GDAHA), Jim Gross (MCCHD), Bill Iames (MCDJFS), Tom Kelly (Montgomery County), Jack Pascoe (WSU, CMC), Art Pickoff (WSU, CMC), Richard Schuster (WSU), Fred Steed (MCCHD), and Allyson Sepp (WSU)

2. **Review Meeting Roles**

Facilitator: Kate Cauley

Notetaker: Allyson Sepp

3. **Review Meeting Agenda**

Correction to agenda: Next meeting is July 1, 9:30-10:30am

4. **Work Through Agenda**

A. Members Update:

B. General Issues

Health Management Associates (HMA)

- Montgomery County (MC) Template updates: On page two of the draft "Proposal to Establish an Expanded Financing and Delivery System for Indigent and Uninsured Persons in Montgomery County" the cost per member per month, based on a preliminary review of services covered was estimated to be \$150. The administrative costs were estimated to be approximately \$90 per member per year (5% of the total \$150 per member per month cost). CareSource will supply a more accurate number in the coming weeks.
- CareSource presentation related to standard services provided to members was deferred.
- County Director's and Levy Council Meetings: Both meetings went well. At both meetings, background summary of HealthLink Miami Valley was provided, a review of current healthcare resources/capacity in the County were reviewed and a review of the HLMV Plan for expanding coverage of uninsured was presented. Additionally, at both meetings—through Kate Cauley and Bill Bines at the County Directors meeting, and David Miller (for Joe Krella) from Children's Hospital at the Levy Council meeting--the hospitals expressed ongoing concerns regarding the potential negative impact of the plan on HCAP; however, at both meetings, the hospitals

indicated they were not opposed to further exploration in discussions with the state. Both County Directors and Levy Council indicated general support of continued exploration of the plan and Levy Council formed a sub-committee to research the proposal in preparation for further discussion at the July 28th meeting.

- Next steps review: Conversations with appropriate representatives from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services will begin to explore funding mechanisms and greater detail of what Montgomery County proposes in terms of covering health uninsured. All HLMV stakeholders with interest should be present during these conversations. A preliminary set of recommendations from the state will then be reviewed by HLMV, MC and Levy Council. With regard to the concern from hospitals, at the County Directors meeting Danna Graves proposed contacting her colleagues within the National Association of Counties, particularly in states where similar programs have been implemented. Kate offered names of County Administrators, state hospital associations and county health department directors in states where similar programs have been implemented as references for MC folks to talk with. Additionally, Kate agreed to put together a packet of written materials to try and clarify issues as we move forward. Tom articulated County's concern about creating an unfunded mandate, and cautioned minimal press coverage during these preliminary discussions as well as considering longer term fiscal support for the expanded coverage proposed

C. Task Force Reports/Actions Steps from Previous Meeting/New Members

- MIS: Rudy reported that during the last meeting, the group reviewed the status of including Premier's data in the blind test. Rudy spoke with Joe Krella at GDAHA and Joe is to get back to Rudy. The status of the HealthLink server was reviewed. Mary explained that David Roberts will provide a presentation during the August meetings of Management Team and Network. The online applications are near completion and it is anticipated that they will be ready for use by the end of the summer.
- Outcomes/Evaluation: Jack has a new assistant—Susan Howard—who will be present at the next meeting. The task force is continuing to work with Children's Medical Center to obtain the ER usage data and expects to report by the end of the summer. Kim reported that Barbara O'Meara has found 20 people willing to be involved with the asthma focus group. It is hoped that a total of 30 will agree to participate in the group.
- Outreach: Kim reported that as usual the number of referrals is decreasing during the summer months. Two advocates are on medical leave and will not return to work until July. Joyce Jones, a Medicaid Outreach advocate at the Sinclair office, will assist with referrals.
- Strategic Planning: Kate requested a hard copy of the capacity assessment and a summary of the strategic planning process.

D. Speaking engagements/invitations/presentations/publications review

- Press conference date and agenda: The group agreed to defer the press conference indefinitely.

- APHA Conference: four proposals related to HealthLink have been approved for poster presentation at the APHA Conference. The presentations will be on Outreach efforts, MIS, Community Collaboration and Outcomes and Evaluations. Kate will ask Carla to present her recent Academy Health conference poster on Outcomes and Evaluations to the Team at the July meeting.
 - Advisory Council: Mary reminded the group that the Advisory Council will meet at 3:30pm today. All members are invited to attend. The next meeting will be August 18, 2003 at 3:30 PM.
- E. Issues for HealthLink Network Review/Approval: Postponement of the press conference needs to be reviewed.
- F. Issues for Discussion: Kate informed the group that Rick Wilk is the new program officer for HRSA. He recently informed her that the CAP initiative has been reauthorized by legislatures and given a new name-HCAP. Kate, Carla, and Mary will attend the HRSA conference in Washington D.C. Kate commended the Combined Health District for their efforts on the STEPs Initiative. This is a federal program focused on asthma, diabetes, smoking, and general cardiovascular health, for which the CHD is submitting a proposal.
- G. Work To Be Completed/Action Steps
Jack will work through Melissa Decker, Mike Turner's legislative director, to arrange a time that Mr. Turner can participate in a press conference.

5. Future Agendas and Schedules

(The July 1 meeting was cancelled on June 27.)

NEXT MEETING: July 15, 2003, 9:30AM – 10:30AM

6. Evaluation of the meeting

7. Adjournment