

**COLORADO BOARD OF HEALTH**

**MINUTES**

**August 15, 2012  
(Teleconference Meeting)**

**NOTE:** These minutes are a summary of the proceedings and motions of the August 15, 2012 meeting of the Colorado Board of Health. The complete and accurate record is the audio recording of the meeting. Documents referenced in the minutes are available for public inspection at the Board of Health Office, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Bldg. A, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, CO., or call 303-692-3464 to request copies.

**Call to Order/Role Call**

The August 15, 2012 Colorado Board of Health meeting was called to order at approximately 10:05 a.m. (via teleconference) at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Sabin Conference Room, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, Colorado, by Laura Davis, president.

**Members Present**

Via telephone: Philip Mehler, M.D., District 1; Laura Davis, District 2; Crestina Martinez, County Commissioner, District 3; Kindra Mulch, District 4; Glenn Schlabs, District 5; Joan Sowinski, District 6; Christine Nevin-Woods, D.O., At-Large; Christopher Stanley, M.D., District 7; Sue Warren

**Members Absent**

None.

**Staff Present**

Karen Osthus, Board Administrator; Jamie L. Thornton, Program Assistant; Jennifer L. Weaver, First Assistant Attorney General, legal counsel.

**Approval of Minutes**

**BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**, the Board approved the July 18 meeting minutes as written.

**Public comments regarding matters not on the agenda**

None.

**Board comments regarding matters not on the agenda**

None.

**Discussion/Request for Rulemaking Hearing: Proposed amendments to 6 CCR 1011-1, Standards for Hospitals and Health Facilities, Ch. X, Rehabilitation Centers**

**Staff Comments:** Lorraine Dixon-Jones, Policy Analyst, Health Facilities and Emergency Medical Services Division, stated that the proposed regulations change the name of the facility type from rehabilitation "center" to rehabilitation "hospital". She pointed out that the proposed rule confirms with amendments made by House Bill 12-1294 to C.R.S. § 25-1.5-103(1)(a)(I)(A) and C.R.S. § 25-3-101 (1) in conformance with House Bill 12-1294.

Ms. Dixon-Jones responded to several Board questions regarding definitions, types of services provided and the number of facilities impacted by the proposed changed. She requested that a rulemaking hearing be scheduled for October 17, 2012.

**By UNANIMOUS CONSENT**, the Board scheduled a public rulemaking hearing for October 17, 2012 to consider proposed rules pertaining to Standards for Hospitals and Health facilities, Chapter X, Rehabilitation Centers.

**Request for Approval of Funding Recommendations: Cancer, Cardiovascular & Cardiopulmonary Disease (CCPD) Grant Program Review Committee**

Christopher Bates, MD, Chair, CCPD Review Committee, respectfully requested the approval of \$8,782,542 for twenty-five projects for the 9-month period beginning October 2012 and concluding June 2013, as described in detail in the memorandum dated August 15, 2012.

Dr. Bates, Jennifer Snyder, Grants Manager, Prevention Services Division and Ken Gershman, MD, Program Manager, Medical Epidemiology, Disease Control and Environmental Epidemiology Division responded to Board questions regarding criteria for funding competitive grants and the application and funding recommendations process.

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Dr. Stanley, to approve the FY2012-13 funding recommendations for the Cancer, Cardiovascular and Chronic Pulmonary Disease Competitive Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$8,782,542 as presented in the memo dated August 15, 2012, with the exception of the Denver Health and Hospital Authority Grants listed in the amounts not to exceed \$292,136, \$166,409 and \$353,479.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Dr. Nevin-Woods, to approve the FY2012-13 funding recommendations for the Cancer, Cardiovascular and Chronic Pulmonary Disease Competitive Grant Program presented in the memo dated August 15, 2012, for the Denver Health and Hospital Authority grant in amounts not to exceed \$292,136, \$166,409 and \$353,479 as presented in the memo dated August 15, 2012.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Dr. Mehler recused)**

**Request for Approval of Funding Recommendations: Tobacco Education, Prevention and Cessation Grant Program Review Committee**

Jennifer Ludwig, Chair, Tobacco Education, Prevention and Cessation Grant Program Review Committee (Committee) respectfully requested the approval of \$8,210,417 for thirty-eight new projects for the initial year beginning October 2012 and concluding June 2013, as described in detail in the memorandum dated August 15, 2012. She also discussed funding recommendations for programs in the innovative category, which were previously unfunded

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due to fiscal emergency, in the amount of \$2,240,909.

Ms. Ludwig discussed the application and funding recommendation process and she pointed out that there are seven RFA categories and two additional funding recommendations critical to the Tobacco Strategic Plan and fulfillment of statutory mandates. She pointed out that all of the funding recommendations were reviewed and approved by the Committee.

Celeste Schoenthaler, Director, Tobacco Education, Prevention and Cessation Program, Prevention Services Division presented funding recommendations for community tobacco initiatives. She remarked that counties were allowed to submit applications as a region or as an individual entity. She referenced the "Geographic Distribution of Tobacco Funding – FY 13" spread sheet and pointed out that only eighteen applicants are being recommended for funding because some agencies did not receive fundable scores and other counties did not submit an application. She emphasized that the programs recommended for funding are evidenced based programs and align with the department's strategic plan.

There was lengthy discussion and questions pertaining to: 1) the amount of funds directed to cessation efforts as opposed to prevention efforts; 2) the role of National Jewish pertaining to QuitLine; and 3) the possibility of providing reports detailing funding streams pertaining to prevention programs as compared to cessation programs.

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Ms. Mulch, to approve the FY2012-13 funding recommendations for the Tobacco Education, Prevention and Cessation Grant Program in the amount not to exceed \$8,210,417 as presented in the memo dated August 15, 2012 with the exception of the Denver Health and Hospital Authority grants in the amount of \$486,288, \$350,000, \$300,425 and \$511,991 and Pueblo City-County Health Department grant in an amount not to exceed \$185,723.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Ms. Mulch, to approve the FY2012-13 funding recommendations for the Tobacco Education, Prevention and Cessation Grant Program for the Denver Health and Hospital Authority grants in amounts not to exceed \$486,288, \$350,000, \$300,425 and \$511,991 as presented in the memo dated August 15, 2012.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Dr. Mehler recused)**

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Dr. Mehler, to approve the FY2012-13 funding recommendations for the Tobacco Education, Prevention and Cessation Grant Program for the Pueblo City-County Health Department grant in an amount not to exceed \$185,723 as presented in the memo dated August 15, 2012.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Dr. Nevin-Woods recused)**

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Dr. Stanley, to approve the FY2012-13 recommendations for other funding areas including evaluation & surveillance and the Colorado QuitLine in an amount of \$2,475,000 and \$2,493,000 respectfully for a total of \$4,968,000 as set forth in the memo dated August 15, 2012.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**Request for Approval of Funding Recommendations: Health Disparities Grant Program FY 2012-12 Applications**

Patricia Iwasaki, M.S.W., Minority Health Advisory Commission Chair respectfully requested the approval of \$2,315,821 for fifteen projects beginning October 1, 2012 and concluding June 30, 2013.

Mauricio Palacio, Director, Office of Health Disparities pointed out that on page four of the memo dated July 31, 2012 the recommendations are presented by four distinct areas and he stated that the programs aligned with one of Colorado's Winnable Battles – Obesity.

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Ms. Sowinski, to approve the FY2012-13 recommendations for the Health Disparities Grant Program in the amount of \$2,315,821 as presented in the memo dated July 31, 2012 with the exception of the Pueblo City-County Health Department in the amount of \$143,123.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOVED** by Mr. Schlabs, seconded by Dr. Mehler, to approve the FY2012-13 recommendations for the Health Disparities Grant Program for the Pueblo City-County Health Department grant in the amount of \$143,123 as presented in the memo dated July 31, 2012.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Dr. Nevin-Woods recused)**

**Reports from the Executive Director and Chief Medical Officer, Joni Reynolds, Public Health Programs Director**

Ms. Reynolds updated the Board on department activities which include: 1) strategic priorities; 2) leadership retreat and leadership local public health agencies tours; 3) Center for Disease Control site visit; and 4) Dr. Lisa Miller's change in position.

**Public Health Act Update, Shannon Rossiter, JD, MPH, Public Health Planner, Office of Planning and Partnerships**

Ms. Rossiter informed the Board that the request for a rulemaking hearing pertaining to public health standards have been delayed until November 2012. She pointed out that the delay was due to concerns at the local level regarding timing and budgets.

**Attorney General's Report**

Jennifer Weaver, First Assistant Attorney General, stated that there is nothing to report on the litigation front.

**Administrative Business, Karen Osthus, Board Administrator**

Ms. Osthus reminded the Board that the September meeting will be held in Pueblo and she encouraged them to attend the Public Health in the Rockies Conference while they are there. Ms. Osthus requested that Board members update their biographies and turn them in at their earliest opportunity and she advised them to schedule full days for the next several months due to an increase in rule-making hearings.

**This meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.**

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