

Health Alliance Full Meeting Notes- 3/17/16

1. Welcome

2. Presentation

- a. Angel's Wings, Transportation Program- Elizabeth, Asher, and Jamie
 - Regional Transportation System**
 - Will be able to accept Medicaid in 30 days**
 - Has been working with the Basic Needs group to pilot transportation services through St. Joseph Health System**
 - The cost of a ride is \$5, which is covered by St. Joe**
 - Website will be hosted at SouthBendRide.com**
- b. Latorya Greene, Tobacco Free St. Joe, Smoke-Free Ordinance
 - Final vote on March 29th**
 - Strictest tobacco ordinance in the state of Indiana**
 - Expand current smoking ban to include bars, taverns, casinos, private clubs and tobacco shops**
 - Cannot smoke within 15 feet of a business (as opposed to the previous 8 ft.)**

3. Sub-Committee Updates

- a. Basic Needs (Geoff Zimpelman)
 - Launched transportation pilot with Angel's Wings**
- b. Behavioral Health (Susie Brennan)
 - Next meeting is April 14th at 8:15am in the Memorial Epworth Conference Room**
 - Have been looking at data on 211 calls and referrals regarding mental health**
 - Group is going to reevaluate whether they want to be a networking group or an Action group**
 - Will also discuss the meeting structure and focus areas**
- c. Diabetes Education & Prevention (Susie Brennan)
 - Group will meet every 6 months to update the Diabetes Resource Guide and discuss any changes**
 - Will also evaluate potential action items at each meeting to determine focus of group**
- d. Obesity (Robin Vida)
 - Meeting cancelled today and will be rescheduled**
- e. Preventative Health (Latorya Greene)
 - **Working on a Medical Access Flowchart that will be made into a matrix**
 - Will focus on immunizations**

4. Discussion

a. Potential Focus Group Additions

i. Substance Abuse

ii. Food Insecurity

The Board of Health and various community groups have asked the Alliance to look at these issues. We will discuss them further at our May meeting.

5. Alliance Member Updates/Announcements

-March 23rd is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Day at the Martin Luther King Center at 9am

-The Mr. Friendly Campaign is starting in South Bend to provide education about HIV in order to prevent stigma surrounding the condition

-HealthLinc is partnering with IUSB to provide health and dental clinics for residents

-Harper Cancer Research Day is April 4th at the Morris Inn

-Poster Presentations are from 9am-1pm in the ballroom