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Bemidji Community Health Center Planning Grant

Planning Team Meeting

May 31, 2012

1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.

PrimeWest Large Conference Room

Meeting Notes

Attendance: Susan Dobbelstein, Jeanne Edevold Larson, Ruth Sherman, Becky Secore, Torry Sweberg, Craig Kinsella, Carol Kelly, Deb Miller, Jes Conrad, Amy Lindahl, Colleen Falk and Carolyn Townsend.

Project Consultant/Facilitator: Ashli Bowen

- Brief introductions were made and the team welcomed Carol Kelly back.
- The planning team meeting calendar was revised and emailed to planning team members. The team will meet only once per month, June-August, to allow the partners/providers time to meet and plan.
- Planning team members were reminded about the upcoming NACHC “Building a Health Information Technology (HIT) System” webinar, June 6, 1:00-2:30 p.m. at Prime West Health (**PLEASE NOTE: NACHC changed the date of the webinar from June 6 to June 13**)
- The team reviewed and discussed the draft of the Community Health Center phased approach.



[Community Health Center Planning Phased Approach](#) DRAFT



[Note with background information to support phased approach](#)

Becky Secore from Beltrami Area Service Collaborative explained how they do mental health screenings and mental health referrals at Northern Dental. Jeanne Edevold Larson (Northern Dental) gave more details about how they assist patients with needs beyond dental care through their partnership with CRC, BASC, Public Health and other agencies in the

community. She also explained how the phased approach will be supported with the current grant Northern Dental has and what other services could be added in the future with additional resources.

The team discussed the importance of inviting other interested agencies and providers to the table to support each phase. Additional partnerships are encouraged as long as the plan stays manageable in a way that allows learning to occur and outcomes to be met. In addition, the team felt it might be helpful to include an addendum of all the other agencies that would be, or are already, partnering with Northern Dental, BASC, Public Health and CRC to coordinate care. The addendum could be added, but it would be rather lengthy. The team wants to make sure that others recognize this continues to be a community driven effort and providers interested in helping to offer solutions to addressing the needs of the target population are welcomed.

The team also discussed ways in which they might partner with Sanford or other medical professionals (nurse practitioner, community health worker...) to incorporate primary care.

A discussion was held around preventive care and other wellness services which would/could be added in phase 2. Naming and giving the plan/activities an identity would also occur in phase 2. *(see the draft Community Health Center planning phased approach for full details of phase two.)*

The team was reminded that the phases are not meant to have a specific time associated with them. Phase 1 could last a year or longer. It is important that we are open to opportunity but that we also take our time in figuring out the right approach to addressing the needs of the target population.

- Deb Miller, UMMHC, led a discussion about Sanford's future plan to integrate behavioral health in with primary care. The team acknowledged that continuing to meet with Sanford to discuss how we can work together to coordinate care and ensure the target population's needs are met is critical.
- The team agreed to continue moving forward with the Community Health Center planning phased approach.
- Next meeting – Thursday, June 28 from 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Prime West Health