

Hispanic Health Committee

July 15, 2008

Minutes

1. **Introduction to Fairview Hospital-** Erin Telepak
Now doing a calcium/osteoporosis study focused on needs of Latinos with Lutheran Hospital and CWRU Center for Reducing Health Disparities; focus groups and survey to gain info to create osteoporosis interventions appropriate for Latino women.
2. **Roster:** additions and corrections made
3. **Approval of last month's minutes**
4. **Hispanic Round Table Community Forum:** to keep community informed on progress. Will be mid-late September (Hispanic Heritage Month). Site not decided. Each team will do a power point presentation on progress of their resolutions. Chairs mtg 7/31.
5. **Subcommittee reports:** please compare your progress to original timelines (attached). What has changed? Are you meeting your deadlines? What problems are you encountering? How will you deal with them?

-**Title VI/Access:** Mary Jo Tadsen. Workshop committee has narrowed focus to four topics:

1. The law and Language: how lack of bilingual svcs impacts both the community and an agency's ability to achieve its mission
2. Health insurance and immigration issues
3. Interpretation/Translation- Resources and related issues
4. Finding Bilingual Staff

We are contacting the following for help/resources: Diversity Center, El Barrio, Lydia Alejandro (Ohio Latino Health Coalition), UHCAN, CSU, Marilyn Brusherd (Ofc for Civil Rights), Julia Arbini-Carbonell (Ohio Hispanic Coalition), and EFS.

Projected date for the workshop is April, 2009.

-**Directory: José Estremera: update at August mtg.**

-**Cardiovascular/Diabetes:** Mary Ann Nicolay

Will be doing mini-presentations at HHC mtgs. Today's: best practices at DAGC.

-reaching out to community to find volunteers who speak languages needed. Best example is connection with Hispanic Senior Center- has been interpretation, support svcs and pick-up place for supplies for Spanish-speakers. Have been trying to establish similar relationships in other communities.

-applied for grant to train to Spanish-speaking Dietitian Techs; grant is up in air.

- have started a women's empowerment group to be ambassadors to community.
Next presentation: October HHC mtg.
 - Mental Health:** Evelyn Rivera-Mosquera
 - Dr. Ana Maria Carillo wil do a 2 hr seminar on behavior problems/mental health issues for children and parents in October. Evelyn is planning a seminar Bipolar Disorder/Depression and possibly an Ask the Doctor seminar in the Fall. She is working to offer the Familia a Familia class in Spanish in Cleveland.
6. **Retreat:** input from last mtg.: group prefers ½ day, preferably Friday afternoon, and is willing to do some prep ahead of time; August or September needed to allow planning time.
Facilitators: We have three names; Mary Jo will check Sarah Spengler's availability; Cara will check Hospice availability.
7. **Announcements:**
- a. **Mary Ann Nicolay:** Diabetes Ass'n is looking for a CEO and business mgr.
 - b. **Lydia Fernandez:** Center for Domestic Violence- if anyone needs a bilingual advocate, call Lydia.
 - c. **Jasmin Santana:** MHMC having community health screening w/free mammograms, Saturday, August 16th, 10:00-2:00, Broadway Health Center, 6836 Broadway Ave.

Next meetings:

- 1. **August 19th, 9:00,** Diabetes Ass'n of Greater Cleveland, 3601Green Road, Beachwood.
- 2. **September 16th.** Neighborhood Family Practice
- 3. **October 21st:** MetroHealth Medical Center
- 4. **November 18th:** Employment and Family Services

Original Timelines, as of March, 2008 HHC mtg.: (Mental Health is from 4/08)

a. Directory Committee; (José Estremera, chair) Cara Turner presented 2 choices for the cover page and 6 logos; committee narrowed choices and whole HHC voted on both. Next step for directory committee is to decide on a stipend, identify 2-3 bilingual volunteers to make calls, and provide them with organizations to call. Ami will write script for volunteers by April mtg. José will get last Convención's directory from Andrés Gonzalez. Ami, Ivelisse Roig and Laurel Domanski-Diaz will oversee volunteers. Committee will begin writing directory content at April mtg.

Budget:

b. Cardiovascular/Diabetes: (Mary Ann Nicolay, chair) Will do 20-30 minute presentations on Best Practices, programs or initiatives that have had a positive impact on providing care or services to the Hispanic community at next 3 HHC mtgs. Investigating a company, Meet the Bloggers, to audiotape presentations for Round Table website. Presentations may also be written up and sent out in E-STEPS, Workplace Wellness and CVH newsletters. Subcommittee will also do presentation on above at Allied Health Symposium of Diabetes Ass'n of Greater Cleveland in March or April 2009.

Budget: not to exceed \$500.

c. Access/Title VI: (Mary Jo Tadsen, chair) Timeline: needs assessment survey through Survey Monkey, to be done by Karen Tabb and Liza de Jesus to go out to go out to HHC members for feedback by 4/1. Report on results at next mtg. After next mtg., Miriam Hernandez, Mary Jo Tadsen and Anamaria Tejada will contact and meet with possible co-sponsors for the Creative Compliance/Access workshop (possibilities: Center for Reducing Health Disparities, UHCAN, Diversity Center, Ohio Latino Health Commission, CSU/CCC, Hospice of the Western Reserve). Committee will start planning content after partners and site are agreed upon. Workshop is planned for February-March 2009, so that copies of directory (due January 2009) can be provided to participants.

Budget: \$3000? depends on partners/site.

d. Mental Health: (Evelyn Mosquera-Rivera, chair). Evelyn has done a needs focus group with parents from CMSD. She is currently evaluating info and assessing current NAMI initiatives for how appropriate they are to meet the needs of the Hispanic community. In planning stages: Latino Parent Support Group, training for Latino Pastors, program on Depression and the Elderly at Hispanic Senior Center; program by Anamaria Carrillo, MD, on ADHD; retreat with Ohio Latino Minority Health Network on 5/31.