



Eau Claire Healthy Communities Action Team Meeting

Oral Health Promotion

Thursday June 28th, 2018

Eau Claire City-County Health Department Room G302

7:30am-9:00am

Present: TJ Atkins, Katie Pospishil, Sarah Pedersen, Savannah Bergman, Gina Schemenauer, Lisa Vang, and Christopher Klesmith

1. Introductions and Announcements:

2. Approval of May 24th, 2018 minutes: Correction to Katie's last name.

3. Update

- a. Wisconsin Oral Health Coalition
 - i. We have two free passes for it.
 - ii. We have been asked to present on our Dental Home by 1 and our interprofessional meetings. Group felt this maybe something Debbie or Tina maybe able to do. Katie and Sarah to discuss with Debbie about her presenting.
- b. Children's Health Alliance Leadership training
 - i. August 29th and 30th in Oshkosh - Training- Need to know by July 1st.
 - ii. They are recommending two from the action team attend
 - iii. This year topic will be on Advocacy for Change, Health Equity, Evaluation, and Planning for sustainability.
- c. CVTC Meeting
 - i. Group not sure what this was about, but believe it's about meeting with Nurse educators at Mayo and utilizing the CVTC students to do a presentation on oral health for pregnant women.
 - ii. Sarah does not believe anything has been done at this time.
- d. Referral Sheet update
 - i. Gina reports it is in Debbie's hands for the students to call the dentist in the area to see if they want to be on the list.

4. Community Health Improvement Plan

- a. Health Data Walk
 - i. Review of our current state and national plans- Healthy People 2020 (HP2020) and Healthiest Wisconsin 2020 (HW2020).
 1. HP2020- uses data measure of no recent dental visit and oral health of 3rd grade children. Eau Claire County percentage of population age 2+ that hasn't had a dental visit in the past year is slightly higher than the state (28% instead of 26%). The National rate is 56.8%. The % of untreated decay of third-grade children in Western region is 17%, compared to 18% in Wisconsin and 16% nationally.
 2. HW2020 using percent of third-grades with dental sealants and untreated decay as one indicator. Objective looks at assuring ongoing oral health education and comprehensive prevention efforts.

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- ii. Secondary Data (What do you observe in the data? What stands out to you? What is surprising? What is getting better? Worse? Trends? Is it accurate?)
 - 1. Data included percentage of 3rd graders with untreated dental decay in Western Wisconsin, residents on municipal water with fluoride content at the recommended level, residents 2+ years old that did not have a dental visit in the past year and dentist to population ratio.
 - 2. Dentist ratio will be dependent on what they cover as well. Group feels the numbers would be higher for dental decay. Group also feels people aren't as concerned about oral health, because they aren't aware of how it affects them. Community hears more about mental health in the media more and in terms of meth (related to oral health care); they don't see the oral health effects until after their recovery.
 - 3. People seem more aware of making dental visits before age one, but group feels they can do more on it.
- iii. Survey results themes.
 - 1. Access for BadgerCare (MA) dental services is inadequate. Smiles in Motion is not taking new MA patients. Dr. Rena is not taking new MA patients. The only dentist taking MA is All Family Dental.
 - 2. It was suggested it would be nice if dentist could get Tax credits for serving MA patients to offset the lost costs from MA reimbursement.
- iv. Health Equity-
 - 1. Individuals with low income or special needs individuals are populations, which are, affected by this the most.
 - 2. Elderly is another population affected by oral health, especially those who are homebound.
 - 3. Hmong and Latino population have a language barrier for them to understand the need for oral health which may affect how and if they are seeking services.
- v. Current Assets and Resources
 - 1. Current Assets- Head Start, WIC, Sealant programs, Northlakes, CVTC, and Pediatricians
 - 2. Potential Assets/Stakeholders-Boys and Girls, YMCA, Sports Center, Day Care Centers, Moms on the Run, MOPs, Children's Museum, Library Story times. Group discussed idea of having CVTC dental students do library story time and information about brushing teeth.
- vi. Priorities of where we should go? What data points should we focus on.
 - 1. Continue education and awareness about importance of seeing a dental provider
 - 2. Chose data indicators to use in the 2018-2021 CHIP.
 - a. Residents 2+ that did not have a dental visit in the past year
 - b. 3rd graders with untreated dental decay.
 - c. Discussed fluoride indicator as this was highlighted in our previous CHIP. Discussed that fluoride is always important and can be controversial and controlled by county However, there are supplements and there are parents who won't use it. Thus, it is on the radar, but not necessarily a priority in the upcoming CHIP.

5. Sharing of other oral health topics of interest

- a. Katie shared some teeth brushing sheets, which Tammy can provide to the Amish.
- b. Brush Book survey results will be discussed at the next meeting.

6. Next meeting: Thursday, July 26th from 7:30-9am

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