

Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Task Force Minutes (July 23, 2010)

Members present: Augusta Bilbro, Candice Green, Clay Hays, Estelle Watts, Katherine Bryant, Lorrie Davis, Kim Stonecypher, Shanda Boarden, Alisa Williams, Elizabeth Allen, Sharon Wyatt, Shannon Coker, Tanya Funchess, Xavier Johnson, Debbie Minor, Cassandra Dove, Earl Coleman, Therese Hanna, Virginia Ingram

By Phone: None

Agenda/Discussion Items	Person Reporting	Discussion	Action Plan	Due Date
Welcome and Introductions		Roll Call		
Upcoming Events and Dates		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCIC Meeting: August 18, 2010 • Global Obesity Summit: Nov 9-11, 2010 		
Mississippi Healthy Policy	Therese Hanna	<p>Therese Hanna, Executive Director of the Center for Mississippi Healthy Policy presented on <i>Evaluating the Impact of the Mississippi Healthy Students Act on Childhood Obesity</i>. The Mississippi Healthy Students Act was enacted by the Mississippi Legislature in 2007, to improve physical education, nutrition, and health education in the state's public schools. The Act represents a major effort of state officials to address the state's high rates of childhood obesity. The results indicated considerable progress in the implementation of school wellness policies but also pointed to areas where more work is needed. Most schools reported having established school health councils. However, more emphasis needs to be placed on the work of the councils, particularly in ensuring that councils report to school boards. Other key findings were as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Individuals consider childhood obesity as a serious problem worthy of government intervention. 2. Parents are aware that changes are being made in nutrition and physical activity. 3. Obesity rates appear to be leveling off but racial disparities are increasing. 		

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<p>Mississippi Delta Health Collaborative (MDHC)</p>	<p>Cassandra Dove</p>	<p>Cassandra Dove, MSDH Chronic Disease Bureau Director, gave an update on the Mississippi Delta Health Collaborative (MDHC). The MDHC grant year ends September 2010. Currently, the primary focus is on policy and environmental changes, physical activity, access to healthy foods, tobacco cessation, and healthcare quality specifically hypertension management. The new five-year grant starts October 2010 with initiatives focusing on ABC'S:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aspirin Use; Hemoglobin A1c 2. Blood pressure 3. Cholesterol 4. Smoking cessation <p>The intended outcomes of the new initiatives are to improve the management of blood pressure, cholesterol, cardiovascular disease, increase access to healthy food, physical activity, building capacity and infrastructure within the MS Delta communities. The following activities will continue:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training of the Congregational Health Nurses to do screening and refer at risk patients, 2. Working with local health councils to implement policy changes at the local levels. 3. Working with the leadership advisory councils. 4. Continuing to offer health education to worksites with an emphasis on hypertension. 		
<p>Mississippi Task Force on Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Website</p>	<p>Augusta Bilbro</p>	<p>The new Website for Mississippi Task Force on Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention is www.msctvh.org</p>		
<p>Community Workgroup</p>		<p>The community workgroup will schedule a meeting for individuals and organizations who are interested in forming a community speaker's bureau. The aim of the community speaker's bureau is to address chronic diseases and health risk factors such as heart disease,</p>		

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		stroke, diabetes, cancer, high blood pressure, elevated cholesterol, obesity, and physical activity.		
Speaker's Bureau		Dr. Evelyn Walker presented at the 3 rd Annual Stroke Conference "What's the Risk?" Her presentation addressed " <i>Contributors of Stroke Risk in African Americans.</i> "		

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Strategic Planning Meeting		Dr. Clay Hays initiated the discussion about having a half a day strategic planning meeting tentatively on a Saturday morning. The HDSPP will gather data to assist with developing a plan to direct the taskforce in what direction to go for the next two years.		
Announcements		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Global Obesity Summit, November 9-11, 2010. Presented by the University of Mississippi Medical Center and Greater Jackson Chamber of Partnership. 2. Welcome Lorrie Davis, Deputy Bureau MSDH Director Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity. 3. The Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention and Control Plan for the Community are printed and ready for dissemination. 		