

Tobacco Prevention Community/Clinical Linkages Task Force Meeting Notes

March 26, 2018 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Participants: Karen Ripke, DHD #10; Allison, DHD#10 Intern; Andrea Cassell, ACS; Kelly Barnhardt, Spectrum Health Big Rapids; Jim Harrington, MDHHS Tobacco Section, Betty Ostafinski, Susan P. Wheatlake Cancer Center, Holly Joseph, DHD #10; Donna Norkoli, DHD #10

Discussion Item	Action Steps
1. Workplan review FY 18	Donna will keep the plan updated
The group reviewed the Action Plan for Tobacco	with some measurable performance
Prevention and Cessation activities for FY 18.	indicators so that the Task Force can
	see progress.
2. Tobacco Cessation Referrals	To all trained TTS:
Karen provided a report on referrals for the Quitline	Please Fill out the number of Tobacco
and the DHD #10 TTS program for Oct. 2017 – Feb.	cessation referrals you have had for
2018	Oct. 2017 – Feb. 2018 on the Tobacco
	Cessation Reporting form.
Quitline: 44 referrals from DHD #10 counties	It is important to the TTS program to
This is lower than the past year. Numbers are down	collect numbers from all TTS
across the State.	providers. Data collection may help
	us receive funding through future
TTS: 57 referrals to the DHD #10 TTS program	grant opportunities. It is important to
	have a baseline since this program is
In FY 17 we had 165 referrals to the Quitline and 164	relatively new.
referrals to DHD #10 TTS program.	Donna will resend the form with these
	meeting notes.
The group discussed the issue of no shows for TTS	
program. DHD #10 is implementing a policy that when	
an appt. is made the client must call the day before to	
confirm so that staff are not travelling or spending	
time waiting.	
3. TTS Program and Training Updates	Karen will develop a Save the Date for
Karen reported that the guidelines for certification for	the September training and send out.
TTS have changed. It is now a national certification	
through ATTUD. TTS must get 240 hours of TTS	
activities within two years and then must take an	

exam. Karen is planning a TTS training for September 10 – 13, 2018 in Cadillac. DHD #10 does not have funding for the training so the fees for the training must cover the costs this year. The charge will be \$1000 per participant. We would need to have 8 participants. Jim will promote the training Statewide.	
4. Distribution of promotional materials Karen keeps track of materials distributed for our report to MDHHS. Andrea Cassell has an order form for free tobacco cessation materials from ACS. She will send to Donna to send out to the group.	Send numbers of materials distributed to Karen Ripke by April 9 for the quarterly report to MDHHS.
5. Maternal smoking packets Donna had ordered the bags for the packets from a local printer. The company that manufactures the plastic bags has gone out of business. The only manufacturer left is charging \$.99 per bag versus the \$.49. Donna tried various websites and everyone quoted the same price of \$.99 per bag since the manufacturer went out of business. She will now order labels from the printer and white paper bags that we can stick the labels on and stuff.	Donna will let everyone know once the bags and labels arrive and distribute. Hopefully, so we can get them out in April for Month of the Young Child.
6. SCRIPT training updates Kelly reported that she was trained in SCRIPT by Sally wagoner and wants to implement the program with Spectrum providers in Mason County. She stated that in the OB/GYN practices finding a consultation room is a barrier.	
Erin Barrett, Holly Joseph and Karen Ripke were trained in SCRIPT for DHD#10. They have the CO monitors, DVDs and participant booklets and will be training MIHP staff in May. Holly reported that she likes the SCRIPT materials. One barrier she is encountering is that the pregnant women show up once and then do not return for further follow up.	
Angie Gullekson, a TTS at DHD #10, is conducting a	

project for her Masters Practicum to survey pregnant women who smoke through OB/GYN provider offices in Newaygo County to determine barriers to quitting, attitudes and knowledge regarding smoking while pregnant and what social determinants of health are the biggest barriers. She is working on getting IRB approval and the process is taking much longer than

expected.	
7. Health System Change	If anyone connects with an interested
Karen and Donna discussed the DHD #10 has funding	provider office please contact Donna
from MDHHS to work with providers to assess their	Norkoli or Karen Ripke.
policies and practices regarding tobacco cessation.	'
We have been hitting dead ends with provider offices.	
We need ideas on how to approach providers to be	
able to meet with their office managers and at least	
complete the initial assessment and provide a	
presentation at a staff meeting.	
Suggestions were to try the school Adolescent Health	
Centers, Community Mental Health, My Community	
Dental Centers, FQHCs, and dental offices.	
DHD#10 is working on meeting the Clinical Practice	
Guidelines in their new MyInsight EHR system and also	
has a draft policy for the TTS program in place to be	
reviewed by Directors and the BOH.	
Jim suggested offering a mini-grant might help.	
8. Kick Butts Day events	
Sally Wagoner received a grant for Kick Butts Day	
activities.	
Ferris State University had a booth and advocated for	
their tobacco free campus policy.	
Cadillac schools made announcements during the day.	
9. Tobacco Advocacy Updates	Site for info on Lobby Day:
Andrea announced the ACS CAN Day at the Capitol.	https://www.acscan.org/events/2018-
She also reported on an upcoming statewide tobacco	day-capitol
issues conference that may be of interest. The event is	
being held in Muskegon on April 23 and 24.	Donna will send out the flyer and
	registration link.
Alison reported that the students presented the draft	
Tobacco Free Campus policy to Administration. They	
wanted some changes. The Students for Sensible Drug	
Policy are advocating for designated smoking areas on	
Campus. Students are planning a spring tobacco butts	
clean up to create awareness of the problems of	
tobacco litter.	

Next Meeting Date May 21, 2018 at 1 p.m. at Cadillac DHD #10 .org
Call in will be available.