Minutes

Purpose: Engage Okaloosa County agency representatives and community members on the Community Health Assessment through an open two-way dialogue.

Present: Please see attachment for a complete listing of attendees.

Welcome and Introductions
Dr. Karen Chapman opened the meeting and welcomed the group. She thanked Twin Cities Hospital and Fort Walton Beach Medical Center for providing refreshments for the meeting.

Community Health Assessment (CHA) Overview
- Dr. Chapman introduced the 2017 CHA and shared information about its development and distribution.
- Dr. Chapman shared information about health equity and the connection between health outcomes, educational attainment and income.
- An abbreviated version of the CHA presentation was provided by Sydney Harper, and attendees were encouraged to follow along in the CHA document. The pages were reviewed based on the identified priority areas, which include Advancing Education, Improving Infant Mortality, Supporting Mental Health, Decreasing Drug Use, Bettering Built Environment, Promoting Healthy Lifestyles, Protecting Children & Teens, Preventing Injuries, and Strengthening Families.

CHA Priority Area Selection
- Dr. Chapman shared that the CHA priority areas were established using the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) model. During the MAPP process, four assessments were conducted to identify the public health issues in Okaloosa County. These assessments included data collection and examination, interviews with key informants and community member surveys. The MAPP assessments led to the development of a draft CHA document. The draft CHA was presented to the public at community meetings, seven public Town Hall held throughout the county and online. Public feedback on the draft CHA was collected and presented to the CHA Leadership Team. The CHA Leadership Team discussed the feasibility and winnable nature of the issues shared by the public, and created nine priority clusters for action.
- Dr. Chapman presented the nine chosen priority areas and their sub-topics.
  - Advancing Education includes the issues of low high school graduation rates, high teen pregnancy rates, school start times being too early for middle and high school students, lack of quality and affordable child care and lack of access to job readiness training.
  - Improving Infant Mortality includes the issues of pregnant women who smoke, high teen pregnancy rate and infant mortality disparities.
  - Supporting Mental Health includes the issues of lack of mental health services and suicide.
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- Decreasing Drug Use includes the issues of high opioid use and drug use among teens.
- Bettering Built Environment includes the issues of lack of adequate public transportation, lack of fluoride in water systems and outgrown/outdated infrastructure.
- Promoting Healthy Lifestyles includes the issues of poor nutrition, lack of physical activity, unhealthy weight, tobacco/nicotine use, chronic disease and access to healthy food.
- Protecting Children and Teens includes the issues of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual violence against children and STDs.
- Preventing Injuries includes the issues of lack of sidewalks/street lighting, pedestrian and bicycle accidents and lack of road and traffic safety.
- Strengthening Families includes the issues of child hunger, homelessness/lack of affordable housing and poverty/low income levels.

Priority Area Vote & Champion Identification
- Carrie Ziegler shared that attendees would “vote with their feet” to select the final priority areas that would form Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) groups. She shared that for a group to continue, there must be at least one “Champion.” Champions serve as a lead for the group and coordinate meetings. They are also responsible for attending quarterly meetings to share what their group is working on and the progress that has been made. Carrie shared that if a group is unable to select a Champion(s), then they can disband and move to another group.
- Carrie led attendees in “voting with their feet.” Attendees selected their top priority area by walking to the coordinating sign and choose Champions. If attendees selected a group that could not identify a Champion, they relocated to another group.
- The following priority areas were selected as CHIP groups: Improving Infant Mortality, Promoting Healthy Lifestyles, Decreasing Drug Use and Protecting Children & Teens, Preventing Injuries and Strengthening Families.

CHIP Group Discussion
- Amanda Colwell provided instructions to the finalized groups. The groups were tasked with identifying assets (i.e. What programs/services exist? Which organizations or groups provide related programs/services? Are those groups/organizations here today?) and identifying gaps (i.e. What should the community be doing to address the priority area? What programs/services does our community need? Which organizations should play a role?). In addition, groups were asked to identify “early wins,” or short-term goals and organizing the next meeting.

CHIP Group Reports
- See attachment for each individual group analysis.
- Amanda led the CHIP groups in reporting out on their progress. CHIP groups were asked to share their Champion, Co-Champion, early win(s) and next meeting information.
  - **Advancing Education**
    - Dr. Chapman shared that the Advancing Education group will not become a CHIP group; however, they will research the issue further.
  - **Improving Infant Mortality**
    - Ardelle Bush shared that she will be the Champion for Improving Infant Mortality, with Alicia Booker serving as Co-Champion. The group plans to focus on the
following early wins: 1) DOH-Okaloosa will present infant mortality data and the Recipe for a Healthy Baby campaign at the Healthy Start Access/Coalition meeting on December 20th, 2017, 2) North Okaloosa Medical Center will add the Recipe for a Healthy Baby graphics to their website and include links to videos, 3) Agencies will be contacted to determine sites to present the Recipe for a Healthy Baby presentations and 4) a Train-the-Trainer meeting will be held for the Recipe for a Healthy Baby presentations. The next meeting will be held on November 30, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. at the Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County in Fort Walton Beach, FL.

- **Promoting Healthy Lifestyles**
  - Kay Leaman and Ray Nelson shared that they will be Co-Champions for Promoting Healthy Lifestyles. The group plans to focus on the following early wins: 1) presentations will be provided to Okaloosa County community organizations, 2) a marketing strategy will be developed, 3) request messaging to be distributed in Chamber of Commerce materials and 4) a Healthy Okaloosa Day or Week will be held. The next meeting will be held on January 16, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. at the Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County in Fort Walton Beach, FL.

- **Decreasing Drug Use and Protecting Children & Teens**
  - Jamee Graff shared that she will be the Champion for Protecting Children and Teens, with Diane Keller serving as Co-Champion. The group plans to focus on the following early wins: 1) mandatory reporter training will be provided to relevant community organizations, 2) grassroot/town hall meetings will be held to inform community members about teen drug use, 3) group will discuss ways to leverage connections for grant funding, 4) Handle with Care protocols will be presented to relevant community organizations and 5) the Emerald Coast Children’s Advocacy Center will collaborate with law enforcement to provide child neglect identification training. The next meeting will be held on January 23, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Emerald Coast Children’s Advocacy Center in Niceville, FL.

- **Preventing Injuries**
  - Chris Missler shared that he will be the Champion for Preventing Injuries. The group plans to focus on the following early win: Fort Walton Beach Medical Center, Twin Cities Hospital, Andrews Institute, and other partners will include booklets with information about injury prevention to all patients upon discharge. The next meeting will be scheduled via Doodle Poll.

- **Strengthening Families**
  - Sarah Yelverton shared that she will be the Champion for Strengthening Families, with Tracey Williams serving as Co-Champion. The group plans to focus on the following early wins: 1) improve local government involvement through an engagement opportunity and 2) create and distribute a current food resource guide (including rules of each program) and update 211 with the current food access information. The next meeting will be held on December 12, 2017 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Fresh Start in Fort Walton Beach, FL.
Closing
- Dr. Chapman closed the meeting at thanked attendees for participating.

Meeting Evaluation
- Attendees were asked to complete the meeting evaluation.

Next Meeting(s)
- Improving Infant Mortality (November 30th, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. at the Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County in Fort Walton Beach, FL)
- Promoting Healthy Lifestyles (January 16th, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. at the Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County in Fort Walton Beach, FL)
- Decreasing Drug Use and Protecting Children & Teens (January 23rd, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center in Niceville, FL)
- Preventing Injuries (TBD via Doodle Poll)
- Strengthening Families (December 12th, 2017 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Fresh Start in Fort Walton Beach, FL)
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Attendee Listing

Amanda Colwell, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Carrie Ziegler, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Dr. Karen Chapman, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Renea Black, Early Learning Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Tracey Vause, Okaloosa County Emergency Medical Services; Pam Weeks, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Kay Godwin, Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners; Joe Kennedy, Bridgeway, Inc.; Lynn Wadsworth, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Katie McDeavitt, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Kat Beedie, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Sarah Yelverton, Homelessness & Housing Alliance; Denise Manassa, CDAC; Sanford Hayes, New Life Missionary Baptist Church; Kathy Newby, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Susan Wagner, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Trish Dall, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Kathy Houchins, White Wilson Community Foundation; Denise Kendust, Fort Walton Beach Medical Center; Linda Wilson, CDAC; Jeremy Miller, Okaloosa County Sheriff’s Office; Ryan Mims, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Tracey Williams, Fresh Start; Sandy Sholar, Elder Home Care; Dusty Barnett, Fort Walton Rehab; Chris Missler, Fort Walton Beach Medical Center; Jamee Graff, FightsOn, Inc.; Teri Schroeder, Okaloosa County School District; Kathleen McGraw, Andrews Institute; Vicky Stever, Okaloosa County Public Library Cooperative; Drew Ayres, Gulf Power Company; Clara Scott, Gregg Chapel AME Church; Paige Duncan, West Florida Area Health Education Center; Robert McEachern, Community Representative; Gregory Carl Jackson, Gulf Power Company; Michael Beedie, City of Fort Walton Beach; Gayle Power, Impact 100; Eric Brun, Fort Walton Beach Rehabilitation Center; Brandi Gill, Florida Department of Health in Walton County; Kay Leaman, HealthyDay HealthyLife; Tom Sampson, Okaloosa Water & Sewer; Matt McGraw, Andrews Institute; Johana Welch, FDACS; Ted Corcoran, Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce; Eve DiMaria, Greater Fort Walton Beach Women’s Club; Ballie Locke-Davis, 7th Special Forces Psychological Performance Unit; Lisa Burner, Eglin AFB Family Advocacy Unit; Carissa Hickok, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County; Paulina Pendarvis, North Florida Medical Centers; Alice Turner, Emerald Coast Weight Loss; Ardelle Bush, Healthy Start of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Eva Wise, Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida; Debra McDaniel, Opportunity Place; Rhonda Riess, Healthy Start of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Ray Nelson, Okaloosa County NAACP; Alicia Booker, North Okaloosa Medical Center; Pat Franklin, Emerald Coast Children’s Advocacy Center; Dave Whalen, Twin Cities Hospital; Beth Norton, Northwest Florida State College; Denise Johnston, Children’s Volunteer Health Network