

**MEETING: PIECES'  
CHILD WELL BEING SUBCOMMITTEE**

**DATE: December 5, 2003**

**Members Present:** Randy Bridgette, Joan Skaggs, Molly Stanley, Angie Whitely, Kelley Worley, Joan Faris,  
**GUESTS:** Dr. Greg Black - MCFH Oral Health Program, Phil Schenk - Director Primary Care

**KEY POINTS DISCUSSED**

**KEY DECISIONS MADE**

Meeting called to order at 10:15 am

Note: location of meeting changed from Flatwoods to Charleston based on location of attendees and guest speakers.

Dr. Greg Black from the MCFH Oral Health Program provided information on the history and current status of the Children's Dentistry Project and updated the committee about services available through MCFH.'s Oral Health Program. [ See attached notes for details]

LUNCH

Minutes of November meeting reviewed.

Minutes approved.

Update on 211 line - Randy reported that further development of 211 line is apparently on hold

Randy will follow-up with Cynthia Darnell and report on any progress

Family Health and Safety Survey - Kelley reported that survey should be in process during January 2004

Kelley will follow up and collect information for committee

The group spent some time reviewing the Work Plan and discussing the major issues to be considered in a final report and identifying issues needing to be completed.

Recommendations will include:  
 1. Using Head Start Health and Safety Performance Standards as a base; 2. R& R Agencies to serve as coordinating agency in each region; 3. Need for Health and Safety Coordinator/Consultants ;in each region; 4. Legislation that will require collaboration and support for these recommendations; 5.Data Collection should include the Health Indicators identified by this group; 6. Recommendations on standard forms and schedules for health activities need to be completed.

Phil Schenk, Director Primary Care provided information about the

<p>Primary Care system in WV, the services provided, and expressed expectation that support for meeting the health and safety needs of children in child care programs could be worked out with local Primary Care Centers/Staff [ See attached notes for details ]</p>	
<p>Wrap up -</p>	<p>January meeting cancelled to allow time to develop draft report Joan to work on draft report for February meeting Kelley to provide SWOT of current system. Meeting adjourned at 3 pm</p>
<p>NEXT MEETING: February 6, 2004 Flatwoods DHHR Office - Rm #2 10 - 3</p>	

**NOTES**  
**MCFH ORAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

These notes are from the discussion with Dr. Black at the CWB Subcommittee meeting on December 5, 2003.

The Oral Health Program includes:

- . Pre Employment Dentistry: TANF funds are make available to provide dental services to pre-employment individuals. The program recruits local dentists to provide services.
- . Donated Dentistry Program - A small amount of funding will be available to pay dental costs for handicapped and lo income seniors- The program recruits dentists - To start January 2004.
- . Children's Dentistry Project is now part of the Oral Health Program:
  - . Only one in the state
  - . Services provided through local Health Departments
  - . CHIP and Medicaid pay for majority of children .
  - . No funds for treatment for children without any coverage
  - . Many dentists do not want to serve this group
  - . Program has transitioned to provide emphasis on Oral Health Education
    - . Licensed Hygienist go to schools and provide:
      - . Screening
      - . Oral health education
  - . Program is working on moving into Primary Care settings and School based centers
    - . Minnie Hamilton in Calhoun County and Marshall Counties have Dentists
    - . May be able to add 2 more dentist - Ritchie PC from Dental School
    - . Program will make agreement with anyone interested
    - . Planning to provide preventive care in Primary Care sites
    - . Currently has 3 mobile units that provide:
      - . Screening
      - . Fluoride Sealants
  - . Currently working on survey to assess knowledge and attitudes about dental care/oral health
  - . Other option - MCH to become the dental provider:
    - . Hire dentists
    - . Bill Medicaid
    - . Go to counties with sealants etc.
    - . Use local dentists
  - . Preventive Block Grant - provides some funds that pay of sealants for children with no coverage.
    - . Services paid through agreement between MCFH and local health departments
  - . Programs also provides:
    - . Literature and education on Dental care to Head Start programs
    - . Fluoride rinse program - 87% of public water is fluorinated
    - . Brush Ins
    - . Well Water Testing: supplies water testing kits at no cost to family.
      - . Kits available to non covered families from local physicians
    - . Fact Sheets of services etc. - Web Site under development
    - . Dental List of dentist serving Medicaid and Chip children - to be updated
    - . Dental Education - list of Dental Educators available from Oral Health Program
      - . Cindy Soto new Coordinator - 558 - 5388 or 800-642-8522
    - . Program would like to provide Fluoride Varnish for child care and head start

Note - Dental Program

**RESOURCES:**

- . Current dental resources are limited:
  - . 780 total dentists of which only 500 see children covered by Medicaid or CHIPP -
  - . Dentists identify 'no-shows' as major problem with this patient group
  - . 250 provide pre-employment services
  - . Need Pediatric Dentists - only 7% of all dentists; in WV 13-15 in state
  - . Specialists not available - even in the dental schools
  - . WV one of 13 areas designated as shortage area

**NOTES**

## PRIMARY CARE

These notes are from the discussion and presentation by Phil Schenk, Director of Primary Care on December 5, 2004.

The Office of Primary Care is part of the Bureau of Public Health which also includes:

- . Office for Community Rural Health Services
- . Rural Health Policy - Hospitals
- . Division of Recruitment - recruits health professionals for state, National Health Services Core
- . Office of Emergency Medical Services - EMS Services
- . Public Health Nursing Administration [ Local Health]

The Office of Primary Care includes:

- . Rural Health Centers
  - . 35 Community Governed and Independent, stand alone, nonprofit centers
  - . Governing Boards must have 50% users on board
  - . Must provide health care services regardless of ability to pay
  - . Health services are for all - not just low income
- . 2 sub-programs of 35 major centers:
  - . School Based Health - Primary Care Centers
    - . 35 School based sites in 17 counties - most have a parent Primary Care Center
  - . Black Lung Program - and other respiratory diseases
    - . Federal funds pay for services - Administrative pass through
    - . 17 Black Lung sites
  - . Free Clinics - 13 free clinics - PCC that only offer free care

Office of Primary Care :

- . Supportive role
- . Offers TA - funding - problem resolution - advocates within state system-
- . Primary Care Association
- . Federally Qualified Rural Health Center [FQHC] - Federal \$ + state RHC
  - . Costs based reimbursement from Medicaid
  - . Comprehensive services- includes womens' services, pediatrics, laboratory, pharmacy and indigent drug programs
  - . Children - 4-5 SBHC are located in elementary schools
  - . 18 - Child Care Centers are not PCCs -ex Youth Health Center - Huntington
    - . Community Based Centers focus more on local community needs
    - . Work with PCC-SBHCs

School Based Centers:

- . All now have mental health services - funding through Sisters of St. Joseph Foundation
  - . Provide family counseling, mental health services on site,
  - . Use integration model

#### Rural Health Education Partnership:

- . All health professional in state funded school programs are required to go to rural health sites for rotation and complete a community research project and participate in program.
- . Medical students go to local schools and provide health screens, health education etc
- . ??? Could they go to local child care sites and provide health screens, immunizations etc. ????? .[ Look at Maryland]
- . Would need parent consent form

#### Resources:

- . Expansion not a problem - local areas can work out relationship with child care etc.
- . Some areas with problems but state well covered for the most part
- . Total 150 PC sites of all types