HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES STEERING COMMITTEE

*Riverside Hotel – Liberty Room*

*IAC Midwinter Conference ~ Boise, ID*

*Wednesday, February 7, 2018 ~ 10:30 AM to 12:00 AM*

MEETING MINUTES

10:30 AM Call to Order - Chair, Helen Edwards, Gooding County Commissioner

* Welcome and Introductions
* Approval of September 2017 Meeting Minutes

***Doug Zenner made a motion to approve the minutes from September 2017. Kelly Aberasturi seconded. Motion carried.***

* Policy Statement Sub-committee

Helen Edwards, Terry Kramer, Henrianne Westburg, Angenie McCleary, and Tom Dale volunteered to review this policy statement and will bring it back to the annual conference for discussion.

10:35 AM CAT Board Update – Roger Christensen, Bonneville County Commissioner & Kathryn Mooney, CAT Program Director

Roger Christensen stated there is a new member to the CAT board. Glen Bailey is the new member. The total applications received by the Department of Health and Welfare has gone up in FY17, as well as the number of approvals. The approval percentage is pretty steady about 10%.

The number of medical reviews is steady with 1,565 reviews done in FY17. CAT cases approved and provider payments thus far in FY18 look to be ahead of where they were last year. Some counties have already passed the amounts spent in FY17. CAT has approved 533 applications so far in FY18 and there were a total of 584 approved in FY17. The FY19 budget request is going to be approximately $8,000,000 more than FY17.

Donna Peterson asked if the legislature would separate the mental health from the CAT funding. Roger Christensen believes that they will fund together and the counties are going to have to track this and then take that information to the legislature.

Kelly Aberasturi stated that District 3 is looking at implementing a crisis center and counties will be required to track impact on indigent departments. Joe Larsen asked if the crisis center actually helping the indigent programs. Roger Christensen thinks it is helping; however, this issue is ramping up that we are unable to keep up.

11:00 AM Health District Update – Carol Moerhle, Public Health District 2

* SHIP

Carol Moerhle reminded the committee that SHIP were grants to Public Health Departments to help providers become a medical home and be reimbursed by the department. The SHIP grant is due to close in 2019. Projects that the health districts are working on will be done at that time. The health districts are in the process to see if there is a sustainability plan to keep these communities going.

* Public Health Districts updates

Carol Moerhle stated there are three more crisis centers that are supposed to be funded by the legislature. We helping on that project to make sure those are implemented.

Russ Duke mentioned there is legislation on Monday (February 12, 2108) that is a health care waiver for family planning. This waiver would provide family planning services to women. This waiver is about $600,000/year in cost to the state. The return on investment is a reduction on unplanned births and four to one return on funding. Rep. Blanksma is sponsoring this legislation.

11:20 PM Legislative Update – Lauren Necochea, Idaho Voices, Corey Surber, St. Alphonsus

Corey Surber provided some background on waivers. The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and the Idaho Department of Insurance have worked together to create the 1332 waiver which would cover individuals under 100% FPL. It would give them access health coverage from the exchange and receive the subsidies. Those individuals that were legal non-citizen had access to the subsidies but citizens did not. This would allow them the access.

The 1115 waiver would provide Medicaid access to those individuals with complex conditions. It would remove them from their current coverage to Medicaid. The thought is that the high cost people are driving up our insurance costs. By moving them from insurance, the hope is that insurance costs will go down. CMS has required budget neutrality to get these approved. These two waivers need each other to achieve budget neutrality. The Idaho Legislature is working with CMS to get them to agree to allow Idaho to apply under our circumstances. There has been some willingness to entertain this. There has been work requirements added to the 1115 waiver. The majority of the committee and the testimony today was that they support it.

This new health care proposal would also allow insurance companies the ability to sell non-ACA policies. There is also a ballot initiative for Medicaid expansion. The ballot initiative group has collected approximately 10,000 signatures. The group has until May to get those in. If this proposal passes on the ballot, it would supersede the two waivers.

***Tom Lamar made a motion to recommend to support to H464. Bryon Reed seconded. Motion carried.***

11:40 PM Opioid Crisis – Dotti Owens, Ada County Coroner (sick)

11:50 PM Open Discussion

12:00 PM Adjourn

Members Present:

Helen Edwards, Gooding Commissioner, Chair

Glenda Poston, Boundary Clerk, Vice Chair

Tom Dale, Canyon Commissioner

Glen Bailey, Bonner Commissioner

Bryon Reed, Bonneville Commissioner

Joseph Larsen, Cassia Clerk

Abbie Mace, Fremont Clerk

Angenie McCleary, Blaine Commissioner

Paul Christensen, Cassia Commissioner

Doug Zenner, Nez Perce Commissioner

Bill Lasley, Power Commissioner

Elting Hasbrouck, Valley Commissioner

Pamela Barrett, Clark Clerk

Kelly Aberasturi, Owyhee Commissioner

Betty Dressen, Payette Clerk

Donna Peterson, Payette Treasurer

Henrianne Westberg, Latah Clerk

Tom Lamar, Latah Commissioner

Laura Twiss, Minidoka Treasurer

Georgia Hanigan, Payette Commissioner

Terry Kramer, Twin Falls Commissioner

Dan Hall, Twin Falls Commissioner

Roger Christensen, Bonneville Commissioner

Members Not Present:

Betty Thomas, Washington Clerk

JoLynn Drage, Blaine Clerk

Pam Garlock, Boise Coroner

Pauline Malone, Lewis Treasurer

Dotti Owens, Ada Coroner

Radene Barker, Bannock Treasurer

Robert Poleki, Bannock Clerk

Cindy Garner, Bear Lake Clerk

Vaughn Rasmussen, Bear Lake Commissioner

Shelly Shaffer, Butte Clerk

Denise Gill, Gooding Clerk

Colleen Poole, Jefferson Clerk

Lorin Nielsen, Bannock Sheriff

Cindy Garner, Bear Lake Clerk

Carrie Bird, Clearwater Clerk

Becky Peterson, Twin Falls Treasurer

Scott Carver, Valley Coroner

Carol Moehrle, Health District 2

Nikki Zogg, Health District 3

Guests:

Russ Duke, Health District 4

Geri Rackow, Health District 7

Lora Whalen, Health District 1

Maggie Mann, Health District 6

Brent Mendenhall, Madison Commissioner

Mike Fitzgerald, Shoshone Commissioner

Mike Ponozzo, Lewis Commissioner

Greg Johnson, Lewis Commissioner

Mark Bolduc, Gooding Commissioner

Bob Bingham, Kootenai Commissioner

Larry Church, Payette Commissioner