

**Ingham County Board of Health (BoH) meeting  
Ingham County Health Department – Conference Room C  
Tuesday, February 1, 2011**

**Minutes**

**In attendance for meeting:** Nancy Hayward, Martha Adams, Denae Friedheim, Mark Kieselbach, Dr. Nino Rodriguez, Dr. Nigel Paneth, Dr. Dean Sienko, Amy Moore, Sarah Kenney, Debbie Edokpolo and Wendy Duke-Littlejohn

**The meeting was called to order** by Nancy Hayward. Dr. Reizen communicated via email of minor changes to January minutes. Dr. Rodriguez made a motion to accept minutes with changes. Martha Adams seconded the motion. Minutes passed/approved with changes.

**Additions to Agenda** – NALBOH survey of ICHD

**Public Comment** – None

**Medical Marijuana Update – Amy Moore and Sarah Kenney**

Amy & Sarah are presenting the edits from the January meeting which is a sample letter for Dr. Reizen's signature and an attachment of policy recommendations that are outlined in the letter. The ISAP coalition will also be doing the same.

Comments concerning the letter were on consistency of marijuana spelling, MDCH uses marihuana. The consensus is to use "m" when using the h spelling and when referring to the law and program and then it would be okay to use the conventional j spelling throughout the documents. Also, both documents should highlight same points so they are inline with each other and in same format, bullets and/or numbers. It was also suggested to add a fourth bullet regarding felony convictions.

Amy & Sarah to finalize documents for March meeting approval, and BoH will determine the entities to receive the documents by this time. Also revisit the current status of what's going on in the community, i.e. the moratorium on license issuance.

**NALBOH survey ICHD**

ICHD BoH has been selected by NALBOH as 1 of 5 Michigan sites to field test and evaluate how the Guide to Community Preventive Services (Community Guide) may increase the capacity of the BOH to use evidence based practices in public health.

This topic will be discussed/followed up via email as the project timeline is Jan – May. This will also be added to the March meeting agenda.

## **What One Item Would You Like the Ingham County BoH to Accomplish in 2011? – Nancy Hayward**

Index cards were shared with members to answer the question. This was a written brainstorming idea for members to consider during the meeting and turn in at the end for Nancy and Debbie to consolidate for presentation at a later meeting. Some members briefly shared the ideas/thoughts they jotted down on their cards.

There was a facilitated discussion on this in 2008 that should be reviewed to determine what was and/or has been accomplished. A review will also help see where the board is now and if the board is on track, have closure or to see where there is a shift.

## **Public Health Update – Dr. Sienko**

**Inclement Weather & ICHD Services** – Should there need to be a closing of ICHD the question is whether there actually needs to be staffing on-site or is an emergency contact list sufficient? County department heads have the discretion of making a decision to close their facilities; however, they do look first to the County Controller who is authorized to shut down all non-critical County services.

**P2 Update** – Dr. Sienko reported that Dr. Rowan has been excellent on attending and representing the BoH on this topic. The background on this topic is that basically large facilities are to have an outside plan to protect the community and environment should there be an ‘industrial’ accident. The plan implementation and inspections have been provided by ICHD at no cost, but now can no longer be sustained by the County budget. ICHD is looking to have this service as a cost share. The business community is pushing back on the idea of sharing the cost. A number of hearings have been held with another to be held on February 3rd to get the ‘last call’ of discussion on this for a final decision as to whether the Board of Commissioners will pass/adopt the cost share.

Should the proposal not pass it will jeopardize positions at ICHD which are general fund and not supported by any federal funding matches. This would more likely affect the public health service side of things, not the clinics.

## **Announcements:**

**New BoH member** – Christina Dokter, Ph.D., has been selected to fill the vacancy left by member Jacqueline Day’s passing at the end of 2010. The BOC is also looking at what type of background and experience is generally sought for membership. The BoH will put together some recommendations for future BOC criteria/selection.

**It was moved and supported to adjourn meeting.**

**Next Board of Health Meeting – 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2011 in Conference Room C at the Ingham County Health Department. Lunch will be provided at 11:30 a.m.**