

North Dakota Policy Committee Minutes

June 14, 2012
1:30 CST

Participants: Fred Larson, Marcia Olson, Kimberlie Yineman, Joe Cichy, Dave Zentner, Gregg Reed, Tony Richards, Ashley Kopp

Absent: Dr. Richard Rathge, Kathy Mangskau, Mary Bandle, Linda Rorman, Sue Matteson, Carla Kelly

<u>TOPIC and SP KEY DIRECTIONS</u>	<u>DISCUSSION</u>	<u>FOLLOW-UP</u>	<u>OUTCOME</u>
Discussion and Action Items			
Dental Loan Repayment for Safety Clinics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee decided this is a Policy priority • Need consolidated effort to move forward on this topic • Possible funding may be available through the Department of Human Services 	<p>Marcia to keep Committee posted on progress Tony to contact Corey Mock; Marcia to contact Judy Lee and George Keiser</p>	
Dental Loan Repayments for Rural and Pediatric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joe Cichy met with Governor and Governor's office is interested in this topic and they want to try and find funding. • Loan applicants are trying to make contact to clear up their confusion and to find out what is going on with the funding. 	<p>Joe to write up legislation</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arvy and Karen Haas are looking into alternative funding sources • As of now do not foresee any funding being available 		
Funding for Safety Net Clinics in Fargo, Grand Forks and Bismarck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Tribes is looking into bringing in their own clinics • Marcia motioned to take this topic off the table; Policy voted; no one opposed • Policy Committee has removed this topic for the time being 		
Dental Health Awareness Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution needs to be complete and reviewed by September 2012 	Kimberlie to write up resolution and send to Committee for review	
BCBS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fluoride varnish codes are very difficult to change • This item will be put on hold for now 		
Dental Assisting School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like the Coalition to support them and would like to attend coalition meetings • Could provide them with data to help them • Developing the program is completely up to them 	-Kimberlie to follow up with Rasmussen College and invite to be a part of Coalition	
2013 Legislative Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highest priority are the loan repayments • Bills need to be in mid January • Try to get a list of sponsors from both parties 		

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DentaQuest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Smiles Fluoride Varnish program; dental offices want Medicaid to raise varnish applications that they will cover to 4 times per year vs. 2 times per year due to physicians being able to apply fluoride varnish also-not something the Policy Committee wants to take on at this time 	Greg to research and bring findings to next meeting Kimberlie to check on increase of applications with DHS	
CareMobile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CareMobile seeking legislative funding for 2013 session 	Marcia to check to see if they want help from Policy Committee	
Pew	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Made contact to most members to get data; some we were unable to provide to them and directed them in the right direction • Pay attention to this and keep up on what is going on with them 	Kimberlie to follow up	
Future meetings	Schedule end of August	Ashley to schedule Tony to continue on Committee as chair	