

Preserving and Protecting the Public's Health



Alabama Diabetes Network (ADN)

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Arrangements:

Date: April 18, 2017

Scheduled Time: 10 a.m. to 12 noon

Meeting Location: AIDT Training Room; Montgomery, Alabama

Attendance in Person:

Dr. Mark Swanson, UAB

Maegan Ford, ADPH

Debra Griffin, ADPH

Toni Nettles, ADPH

Sondra Reese, ADPH

Kortnei Scott, ADPH

Will Whatley, ADPH

Dr. Anthony Bolus, FMS Pharmacy

Dana Herazo, Mobile County Health Department

Kimberly Smith, Monroe County Hospital

Stacy Copeland, My Care Alabama

Fran McKoy, My Care Alabama

Dr. John (Jake) Galdo, Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy

Dr. Andrea Cherrington, UAB

Attendance via Conference Call:

N/A

Meeting Chair: Dr. Mark Swanson, UAB

Call to Order: 10:10 a.m.

Adjournment: 12:00 noon

Agenda Item 1: Greetings/Introductions

Ms. Ford, Diabetes Health Educator, began the meeting with introductions of those in attendance and introduced Dr. Swanson.

Agenda Item 2: Diabetes Overview

Ms. Scott, Diabetes Epidemiologist, gave a presentation of the ADPH Diabetes Program in the state.

Agenda Item 3: Bylaws/New Direction of 1305 Grant/Recommendations

Mrs. Pouncey, Director of the Cardiovascular and Diabetes Branch, gave an overview of the bylaws and asked the group for feedback. It was discussed that the group should go more in the diabetes self-management education direction. Mrs. Pouncey gave a presentation on the 1305 Grant and the new direction in which it was heading. Dr. Galdo said there was a lack of big data in regards to screenings. According to Ms. Scott, data is self-report collected through the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. Dr. Galdo added that Samford is in the process of developing an app to track screening results by zip code. He also stated there is a need for a support network in the state. Ms. Reese, Director of the Chronic Disease Division, said the state has limited data on diabetes. Meeting participants also discussed ideas on how to increase participation and attendance at future meeting.

Agenda Item 4: Cardiovascular Health Program

Ms. Nettles, Cardiovascular Health Educator, gave a presentation on the Cardiovascular Health Program and stated that the Blood Pressure (BP) Task Force and Hypertension Network would be reconvened. She also stated that the Cardiovascular Health Request for Proposals (RFP) has been released and proposals are due by May 26, 2017. RFP awards will be announced June 19. Ms. Nettles added that ADPH would release the recorded "BP 101" satellite in May.

Agenda Item 5: Questions and Concerns

The group discussed building an ADN website and/or utilizing social media to share ideas and continue discussions among ADN members. It was mentioned that videoconferencing and conference calls might be another option for future meetings.

Agenda Item 6: Next Meeting

Date, Time, Location: To Be Announced