



Humboldt Community Health Council	
<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday May 28, 2014
<b>Time:</b>	1000 - 1200
<b>Location:</b>	HDHC – Conexus Conference room
<b>Chair(s):</b>	Jennifer Brooks/Rod MacKenzie
<b>Participants:</b>	Rachel Trann, Juanine Korte, Karie Kazakoff, Donna Muench, Lorrie Bunko, Mike Kwasnica
<b>Support:</b>	Cory Reineke

1. **Welcome** – Introductions were made around the table.
2. **Agenda Additions/Approval** – the agenda was approved as presented.
3. **Review of the January minutes** – the meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as presented.
4. **Community Stakeholder Updates -**
  - **Humboldt District Community Services:** we have been working on the development of our summer program. We will be able to hire 6 students to help run our summer program this year. We are expecting the same amount of interest or a small increase for numbers in the program this year. This is our 14<sup>th</sup> year of running this program. We always get a lot of support for this program.
  - **City of Humboldt** – The new City of Humboldt Manager will start on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. He is from Ontario.
  - There is currently an ‘Our Humboldt’ photo contest going on. If you have unique shots of your programs and buildings please enter them and we will use them for our image library.
  - We are looking to support community programs. Let us know about your events and we will place it on our event page.
  - There is An Age Friendly forum in June – Jennifer provided posters with information to share.
  - Construction season is beginning, we will let EMS know when and where the projects that will begin for road repairs.
  - We have been moving towards a new phone system and have implemented a VoIP system. People with specific questions will be directed through contact extensions. We will include updated extensions on the website to access the departments and individuals you may need. New website should be up and running by the summer: [www.humboldt.ca](http://www.humboldt.ca).
  - **Fire Department** – We had our charity event and raised \$9000. This money will be used to jointly pay for school speed limit signs. We have been in contact with the Hub program that provided information on the positive results shown in communities across Saskatchewan. This program is to focus on community safety and crime reduction done through an interactive and collaborative approach that involves various agencies. There are many people that sit in on this group to identify many issues. This provides needed support for many people. Mike has been in contact with Matthew who is a member from this group and is willing to come to our next meeting to provide additional information.  
**Action item:** Mike will invite Matthew to our next meeting.

- **HDHF** – Radiothon was very successful. We are expecting to announce a large donation in the next month or so. We attended a conference in Ottawa and learned some good ideas encouraging foundations to get rid of the small costly fundraisers. We have our golf scramble coming up scheduled for June 20, 2014. We have our annual GM coming up in June. Please see the attached annual report for review



Annual Report  
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- **SMV foundation:** we have received 7 ceiling track lifts through capital purchasing. We have not received any information or funding for our dust wing at this time.
- **Chronic disease management** – we are struggling with our Food Management program. If there is anyone that is interested in helping support this program or have information on how to provide funding for this program we are always looking and are in need. We offer cooking classes and we are looking for support to keep this program moving forward.
- **Partners:** we did not receive an increase for our funding that we were hoping for. This was disappointing but we will continue to apply. We have our annual GM tomorrow night. We have been working hard on our fundraiser scheduled for June 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### 5. **SHR Update:**

- We have renewed our 5 year contract for EMS services this is a typical length for these contracts. Humboldt EMS is getting an increase to funding to allow them to increase services to a 24/7 services.
- Physician recruitment – we are doing quite well on with our recruitment efforts and Humboldt continues to have a full complement of physicians. Other rural areas are experiencing similar success with recruitment, this will continue to be on our radar but we will switch our focus now on retention being mindful of physician contracts.
- LTC access and wait times; there is some work going on regarding possibly developing a special care home in Humboldt. Information will be provided as it becomes available.
- Bypass services: Wynyard and Wadena have been on bypass for almost 3 years, we have recruited physicians and these communities will come off bypass in June.
- Communications – we have our communications person has accepted a management position leaving a gap until her position is filled.
- Concerns – part of our review process for our budget included vacancy management. We have addressed our deficit and now we need to review the impact this may have had on services. Through this process the site leader should be made aware of any concerns that may have resulted due to budget saving initiatives.

#### 6. **Guidelines for operating (Terms of Reference)** – this will be tabled for our next meeting in September

**Action item:** Cory will place this on our next meeting agenda.

#### 7. **Transportation** – This continues to be an issue for our community. The local services that we offer should eliminate some of the need of getting to appointments in Saskatoon; however there are issues from surrounding areas to get to Humboldt. Partners experience a high level of clients needing and requesting transportation to medical appointments. Many communities have a community bus that groups can book and utilize, with a list of approved volunteers that are able to drive. This will be discussed further at future meetings to try to establish solutions.

8. **Communications** – How do we get the information out? We can place meeting minutes or summaries on the City website.
9. **Services available at HDHC** – Rod provided a list of services and itinerant clinics. There are services available in Humboldt, in Saskatoon and over Telehealth. Many of these are conditional by referral patterns. If other services are in need, please identify for consideration.



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**Action Item:** Add: psychiatry for needed services in the community being considered.

10. **Next meeting:** September 10, 2014