

GRANTEE Update

June 15, 2009

The Update is a bi-weekly Web newsletter published by the Iowa Department of Public Health's Bureau of Family Health. It is posted the second and fourth week of every month, and provides useful job resource information for departmental health care professionals, information on training opportunities, intradepartmental reports and meetings, and additional information pertinent to health care professionals.

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June is National Safety Month and the National Safety Council has a great resource page with print-ready posters and tip sheets you can download at www.nsc.org/nsm. Posters and tip sheets are also available in Spanish. The four focus areas are:

- Teen Driving - highlighted June 1-7
- Fall Prevention for both work and home - highlighted June 8-14
- Overexertion for both work and home - highlighted June 15-21
- Distracted driving - highlighted June 22-28

Your involvement in National Safety Month can help reduce employee injuries on and off the job. Take advantage of materials each week that target some of our nation's most pressing safety risks.

If you have questions about National Safety Month or the materials on this page, please contact NSC's office of Research, Communication & Advocacy, by e-mail at meredith.morris@nsc.org or call (630) 775-2401.

Program Management

Bureau of Family Health Grantee Committee Meeting

The next Bureau of Family Health Grantee Committee Meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2009 from 9-11 a.m. via the ICN. A listing of ICN sites and meeting materials are available on pages 7-18 of **The Update**. *This is a required meeting for Bureau of Family Health contract agencies.*

DHS Notice of Intended Action: Interpreter Services

The Iowa Department of Human Services has proposed an amendment to Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 79 which would allow for reimbursement of interpreter services when provided in conjunction with Medicaid services for members whose primary language is not English. **Interested persons may make written comment on the proposed amendment on or before June 22, 2009.** Comments should be directed to Mary Ellen Imlau, Bureau of Policy Analysis and Appeals, Department of Human Services, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0114. Comments may be sent by fax to (515) 281-4980 or by e-mail to policyanalysis@dhs.state.ia.us. See the Notice of Intended Action on pages 19-20 of **The Update**.

This amendment has also been Adopted and Filed Emergency which would allow the rules to become effective July 1, 2009. Note that agencies must complete the 2010 Cost Analysis for these services prior to billing for interpreter services. **More information will be provided at the June 18, 2009 Grantee Committee Meeting.**

Save the Date - Cost Analysis Training

A 2010 MCH Cost Analysis Training will be held on August 12, 2009 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. via the ICN. The training is for staff who complete the MCH Cost Analysis (both program and fiscal staff) to facilitate accurate completion of the 2010 Maternal and Child Health Cost Analysis (due to IDPH by October 15, 2009). ICN sites will be available in the next edition of **The Update**. Go to page 21 of **The Update** to download a Save the Date for this event.

Transportation Safety - Safe transportation of preterm and low birth weight infants at hospital discharge: An AAP report - www.childrenssafetynetwork.org/news/shownews.asp?newsID=1114.

Water Safety - Pool and spa submersion: Estimated injuries and reported fatalities, 2009 report: A CPSC publication - www.childrenssafetynetwork.org/news/shownews/asp?newsID=1123.

Program Management

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IME Informational Letter #813: Annual Provider Training Overflow Sessions Scheduled in Des Moines

Earlier this spring, the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME) invited all Iowa Medicaid providers to a series of training sessions to be held throughout the state of Iowa (Informational Letter 795). Demand for two of the sessions, 'General Policies' and 'Procedures and Documentation Standards', has been so great that the IME has scheduled additional sessions for those topics. The additional sessions will be held on July 7th and 8th in Des Moines. If you would like to attend and have not yet signed up for these sessions OR if you signed up and were notified the sessions were full, you may enroll in these additional sessions.

The General Medicaid Policies and Procedures session is an overview of the Medicaid program intended for providers who are new to Medicaid or are struggling with basic billing issues. It is not provider-category-specific, so providers can choose to attend the session(s) that best fit their schedule. These sessions cover the following topics:

- General Medicaid Policies
- Claims troubleshooting
- General questions and answers
- Billing information
- Recent and upcoming issues affecting providers

The Documentation Standards session is a review of the Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) Chapter 79. The information in this session is important to all Medicaid provider types. Instructors will discuss the documentation required by the IAC. Please view Informational Letter #813 on pages 22-23 of **The Update** for more information, which includes a registration form for the training sessions.

Weight Gain During Pregnancy: Reexamining the Guidelines

It has been nearly two decades since guidelines for how much weight a woman should gain during pregnancy were issued by the Institute of Medicine (IOM). In that time, more research has been conducted on the effects of weight gain in pregnancy on the health of both mother and baby. There have also been dramatic changes in the population of women having babies. For more information, go to <http://iom.edu/Default.aspx?id=68004>.



W O R T H N O T I N G

First Years First Grant Eligibility Criteria Changing Evidence-based to High Quality

The criteria for applicant eligibility for the First Years First **applicant eligibility has changed from evidence-based programming to high quality programming**. Some of the focus areas for the grant (early care and education, health and science and technology) do not yet have enough documented program evaluations asserting whether a program is or is not evidence-based. Most of the programs that have the backing of evidence-based programming are family support programs. It is more difficult to find evidence-based programming in early care and education and health related programming. (For instance, in the **Examples of Funding Ideas** page, there is the example of increasing provider participation in the Quality Rating System (QRS). QRS is not evidence-based, but we know it increases quality of services among providers.)

By the questions received from the First Years First Coordinator, it appears that the definition for evidence-based may sway otherwise quality applicants from applying if they cannot find their program identified as evidence-based. It is not intended to deter the applicant pool, but rather to simply include an assurance of program effectiveness and accountability for results. In response, the term “evidence-based” has been replaced from the criteria with “provide **high quality** programming for children birth to five.” There will then be a point system in the scoring matrix for programs that can show the research and/or evidence behind their proposed program indicating the level of quality that backs it.

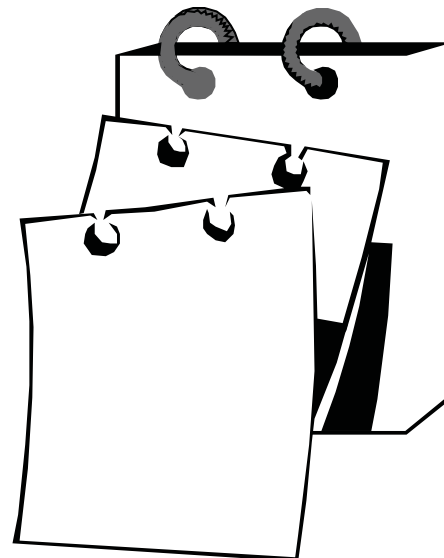
Additionally, the application timeline has changed. Key dates are as follows:

- **June 24** - RFP Issued
- **June 29** - Written Questions Due
- **July 2** - Responses to Written Questions Issued
- **July 7** - Letters of Intent Due
- **August 10** - Application Due (Received by the First Years First Coordinator by 4:30 p.m.)
- **September 11** - Funding recommendations brought to the Iowa Empowerment Board meeting
- **September 15** - Award Notification
- **September 15-30** Contracts signed by designated parties
- **October 1** - Project period begins

View First Years First Q & A RFP Questions on page 24 of **The Update**.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



***June 18, 2009**

Bureau of Family Health Grantee Committee Meeting

9-11 a.m., ICN

For more information, contact Heather Hobert Hoch at (515) 281-6880 or hhobert@idph.state.ia.us.

July 1, 2009

Early Childhood Iowa Professional Development Component Group Meeting

9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

DMACC Conference Center, in Newton

If you are interested and able to join us for this meeting, please RSVP to Lindsay Miller at lmiller@idph.state.ia.us by June 24th. Additional information is available on page 25 of

The Update.

July 9, 2009

Early Childhood Iowa Regional Meeting

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Greteman Center (attached to Holy Spirit Parish), 421 East Bluff Street in Carroll

If you would like to attend this meeting, please RSVP to Jenny Hodges at

jhodges@idph.state.ia.us or call (515) 281-4926. Download an agenda on page 26 of

The Update.

*Required meeting

GRANTEE Update

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Area code is 515

BFH Grantee Committee Meeting
June 18, 2009
9-11 a.m.
ICN

*BFH Required Meeting

Agenda

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| 9:00 a.m. | Call to Order Introductions & Roll Call | <i>Gloria Witzberger</i> |
| 9:15 a.m. | Announcements Approval of Minutes FY10 Meeting Dates | <i>Gloria Witzberger</i> <i>Gloria Witzberger</i> |
| 9:20 a.m. | Grantee Dialogue (Stimulus Dollars) | <i>Gloria Witzberger</i> |
| 9:40 a.m. | Workgroup Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grant Monitoring• Communications | <i>Grantee Representative</i> <i>Molly Lammers</i> |
| 10:00 a.m. | Questions for State Staff Facilitated Discussion Q & A | <i>Heather Hobert Hoch</i> |
| 10:15 a.m. | Budget/Legislative Update | <i>Jane Borst/Julie McMahon</i> |
| 10:35 a.m. | Medicaid/<i>hawk-i</i> Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medicaid Code Updates• Medicaid/<i>hawk-i</i> Eligibility• Implementation of SF 389 | <i>Sally Nadolsky IME</i> <i>Angie Doyle Scar</i> <i>DHS</i> |
| 10:55 a.m. | I-Smile Media Campaign | <i>Tracy Rodgers/</i> <i>Shaela Meister</i> |
| 11:00 a.m. | Agenda Items for Next Meeting/ Adjournment | <i>Gloria Witzberger</i> |

*This is a required meeting for Bureau of Family Health contractors (Maternal Health, Child Health, and Family Planning).

BUREAU OF FAMILY HEALTH GRANTEE COMMITTEE MEETING
June 18, 2009
9-11 a.m.
ICN Sites

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| <p>Ames Iowa State University – 7 Lagomarcino Hall, Room N147 Corner of Knoll Road and Pamel Drive Phone: 515-294-4111 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Dustin Hiatt – 515-294-9428</i></p> | <p>Grinnell Iowa Valley Community College 123 6th Avenue West, Room 121 Phone: 641-236-0513 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Diane Karr - 641-236-0513</i></p> |
| <p>Anamosa Anamosa High School 209 Sadie Street, Room 113 Phone: 319-462-3594 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Liz Scott – 319-462-3594 x211</i></p> | <p>Hiawatha Hiawatha Public Library 150 West Willman Street, Meeting Room Phone: 319-393-1414 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Pat Struttmann – 319-393-1414</i></p> |
| <p>Bedford Bedford High School 906 Pennsylvania Avenue, Fiber Optic Room Phone: 712-523-2114 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Cheryl Fletcher – 712-523-2114</i></p> | <p>Iowa City Iowa City Public Library 123 South Linn Street, Meeting Room D Phone: 319-356-5200 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Brian Visser – 319-887-6025</i></p> |
| <p>Burlington Notre Dame High School 702 South Roosevelt Avenue Phone: 319-754-8431 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Rosemary Smith – 319-754-8431 x358</i></p> | <p>Marshalltown Marshalltown High School 1602 South 2nd Avenue, Room 173 Phone: 641-754-1130 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Al Paxson– 641-754-1130</i></p> |
| <p>Carroll DMACC –Carroll Campus 906 North Grant Road, Room 144 Phone: 712-792-1755 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Jane Riley - 712-792-8317</i></p> | <p>Mason City North Iowa Area Community College - 1 500 College Drive, Activity Center, Room 106 Phone: 641-423-1264 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Linda Rourick – 641-422-4336</i></p> |
| <p>Cedar Rapids Kirkwood Community College 6301 Kirkwood Boulevard SW, Linn Hall, Room 203B Phone: 319-398-5452 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Jan Robertson – 319-398-5452</i></p> | <p>Muscatine Muscatine Community College 152 Colorado Street, Larson Hall, Room 60 Phone: 563-288-6001 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Jeff Armstrong - 563-288-6001</i></p> |
| <p>Council Bluffs Iowa School for the Deaf - 2 3501 Harry Langdon Boulevard, 1st Floor Phone: 712-366-3647 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Christy Nash – 712-366-3647</i></p> | <p>Ottumwa Great Prairie AEA 1 2814 N Court Street Phone: 641-682-8591 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Shirley Walker – 641-682-8591 x5220</i></p> |

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| <p>Creston Creston High School 601 West Townline Road, Room 404 Phone: 641-782-2116 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Jeff Norman – 641-782-2116</i></p> | <p>Pleasantville Pleasantville High School 415 Jones Street, Room 18 Phone: 515-848-0541 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Rose Mary Thiel – 515-848-0562</i></p> |
| <p>Davenport Eastern Iowa Community College - 1 326 West 3rd Street, Kahl Educational Center, Room 300 Phone: 563-336-5200 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Jane Voss – 563-336-5228</i></p> | <p>Remsen Remsen–Union High School 511 Roosevelt Phone: 712-786-1101 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Stacey Galles – 712-786-1101</i></p> |
| <p>Decorah Decorah Public Library 202 Winnebago Street Phone: 563-382-3717 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Lorraine Borowski – 563-382-3717</i></p> | <p>Sioux City Department of Human Services Trospar-Hoyt County Services Bldg, 4th Floor 822 Douglas Street Phone: 712-255-0833 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Linda Sanchez – 712-255-0833 x2000</i></p> |
| <p>*Des Moines – Origination Site State Library 3 East 12th and Grand Avenue, Ola Babcock Bldg, 3rd Floor Phone: 515-281-4316 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Jackie Kokke – 515-281-4316</i></p> | <p>Storm Lake Buena Vista University - 1 610 West 4th Street, Technology Center, Room 7A Phone: 712-749-2218 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Betty Rohr- 712-749-1880</i></p> |
| <p>Dubuque Senior High School 1800 Clarke Drive, Room A-123 Phone: 563-552-5500 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Deb Oleson - 563-552-5521</i></p> | <p>Washington Kirkwood Learning Center 111 Westview Drive Phone: 319-653-4655 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Nancy Rash- 319-653-4655</i></p> |
| <p>Fort Dodge Iowa Central Community College 1 Triton Circle, Library Bldg, Room 206 Phone: 515-576-7201 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Kathy Goebel – 515-574-1103</i></p> | <p>Waterloo Department of Human Services Pinecrest Office Bldg, 1407 Independence Ave Phone: 319-291-2441 Primary Local Site Contact: <i>Vickie Westendorf – 319-292-2430</i></p> |

*Origination site

BFH GRANTEE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: April 7, 2009

Time: 5 – 6:40 p.m.

Scheman Conference Center, Ames

Members Present:

Allen Memorial Hospital: Sandy Kahler*

American Home Finding: Tom Lazio*, Tracey Boxx-Vass

Black Hawk County Child Health Department: Arlene Prather O’Kane*

Child Health Specialty Clinics: Rae Miller*, Barb Khal

Community Health Services of Marion County: Kim Dorn*, Kate Roy, Katie McBurney, Diane Ellis

Community Opportunities, Inc. (d/b/a New Opportunities): Paula Klocke*, Rebecca Fox

Crawford County Home Health Agency: Kim Davis*, Laura Beeck, Sharon Davidson, Jennifer Muff, Mike Mullpril

Crittenton Center: Sue Griffith*, Georgann Appleton

Grinnell Regional Medical Center: Vicki Nolton*, Patty Hinrichs, Kim Howard

Hawkeye Area Community Action Program: Gloria Witzberger*

Hillcrest Family Services: Sherry McGinn*, Cynthia Kaczinski

Johnson County Dept. of Public Health: Chuck Dufano*, Eileen Tosh, Nadine Fisher

Lee County Health Dept.: Michele Ross*, Julie Schilling

MATURA Action Corporation: Mary Groves*

Mid-Iowa Community Action: Pat Hildebrand*

Mid-Sioux Opportunity, Inc.: Cindy Harpenau*, Dick Sievers

North Iowa Community Action Org.: Lisa Koppin*

Northeast Iowa Community Action: Lori Egan*

Scott County Health Dept.: Amy Thoreson*, Tiffany Kennedy, Leslie Scanlan, Libbet Brooke, JaNan Less

Siouxland Community Health Center: Ivy Guthridge*, Sheila Martin

Southern Iowa Family Planning: no representative

St. Luke’s Family Health Center: Val Campbell*

Taylor County Public Health: Joan Gallagher*

Unity Health System: Mary Odell*

Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc.: Kristal Shirk*

Visiting Nurse Assoc. of Dubuque: Nancy Yelden*, Elaine Sampson

Visiting Nurse Services: Cari Spear*, Jeanette Lethrinjer, Kari Lebeda Townsend, Cathy Renz

Washington County PHN Service: Edie Nebel*

Webster County Public Health: Kari Prescott*, Jennifer Ellis

*Voting Representative

Minutes

Handouts included: Agenda, January 15, 2009 Meeting Minutes, BFH Communication Plan for FFY2010 Grantee Survey, BFH Workgroups, BFH Organization Chart, 2009 Session IDPH Bill Tracking, SF 101 (Establishing a shaken baby syndrome prevention program in the department of public health), Iowa Child Health Policy: Building on Success, Meeting Evaluation

Gloria Witzberger, Chair Val Campbell, Vice Chair Notes Taken by BFH Staff

| TOPICS | KEY DISCUSSION POINTS/OUTCOMES |
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| <p><u>Call to Order</u> Introductions & Roll Call</p> | <p><i>Gloria Witzberger</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gloria Witzberger called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. • Roll call to identify voting members from each agency. |
| <p>Approval of Minutes</p> | <p><i>Gloria Witzberger</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion made by Lori Egan to approve the January 15, 2009 meeting |

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| | minutes. Motion seconded by Michelle Ross. Motion approved. |
| <u>Announcements</u> New Healthy Families Line Nurse Fall Seminar Survey FY 2010 Grantee Meetings | <p><i>Heather Hobert Hoch</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather introduced Judy Bratz, the new nurse at the Healthy Families Line. Judy started her position in December. <p><i>Andrew Connet</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fall Seminar will be held October 5-6, 2009, at the Gateway Hotel & Conference Center in Ames. There will be a Grantee Committee Meeting at the Fall Seminar. Jane asked that all attendees fill out meeting evaluation located in packets. <p><i>Jane Borst</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handout in packet. Jane asked that all Grantee Committee voting members complete the survey and turn in to Heather Hobert Hoch at conclusion of meeting. Survey results will be used to plan FY2010 Grantee Committee meetings. • IDPH recognizes that all agencies are functioning with funding restrictions. The fall Grantee Committee meeting is required. • In FY2010, the typical spring Grantee Committee meeting will not be required during the Spring Public Health/Barnraising Conference. |
| <u>Awards Presentation</u> | <p><i>Jane Borst</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jane presented Julie Schilling and Michele Ross, Lee County Health Department, with an Excellence in Maternal and Child Health award for exceptional outreach to community medical practices. • Jane presented Kari Prescott Ruden, Webster County Public Health, with an Excellence in Child Health award for exceptional outreach to community medical practices. |
| <u>Workgroup Reports Consultation/TA</u> Contract Expectations | <p><i>Amy Thoreson and Kim Dorn</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Consultation/TA Workgroup <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Consider patterning off WIC New Employee Orientation for MCH/FP – Relationships: Agencies need to be clear with state staff about local needs; if local agency feels “stuck” in trying to work with the assigned state staff member, ask again or in a different way, perhaps ask for more state staff to be on a phone conference call or TA visit; if relationship with assigned state consultant is just not working out then Jane Borst needs to get involved. – Relationships: State staff should admit if they do not know the answer and then find someone else who does; lead consultant should be present at a TA session; work on leadership development with state staff. – Relationships: State and local staff both need to keep the goal in mind. – Spotlight an agency; spotlight a state staff member – Share with each other what strategies worked or did not work. <p><i>Andrew Connet</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Contract Expectations Workgroup |

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| <p>Grant Monitoring</p> <p>Communications</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trying to be cognizant, open about the overlap between workgroups. - Two areas worked on: Reporting timelines from state staff to local staff; communicate the importance of various reports (why they are required). - Next step: further develop tracking tools at state level; figure out best way to communicate with local. <p>Lucia Dhooge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Grant Monitoring Workgroup <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overlap with the other workgroups is recognized. - This group has transitioned from looking primarily at site visits to now more of an emphasis on technical assistance and consultation between agency and state staff. - Recognize that lead state consultants have other responsibilities. Budget restrictions may change the role somewhat. <p>Heather Hobert Hoch/Jenny Hodges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather sent an e-mail to all BFH Grantee workgroup members to solicit feedback on the newly designed BFH Web pages. She then sent the pages to all grantees. • EPSDT Web site has been redesigned. Goal: By mid-summer finalize the new Web pages. Heather showed a PDF of the redesigned EPSDT Web page. • Considering adding a direct link to the local agencies from the new master page. |
| <p><u>Quality Assurance – Monitoring Medicaid Billable Activities</u></p> | <p>Steph Trusty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MH audit tool revision: The Direct Care Audit Tool will be revised. Presently, it does not reflect Medicaid’s definition of direct care and there is an overlap between the WHIS quarterly QA Reviews and the Maternal Health Direct Care annual audit. • Both tools need revision to audit all MH services provided without duplication. Sue Berg will be recruited to serve on this workgroup. IDPH would like other MH agency staff to be represented as well. Please notify Steph Trusty if you are willing to serve on this workgroup. • WHIS upgrade: IDPH is planning an upgrade to the WHIS database (what is need/not needed). A workgroup will be formed. Please notify Steph Trusty if you are willing to help plan the WHIS upgrade. |
| <p><u>CAReS and WHIS Review Responses</u></p> | <p>Marcus Johnson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first QA Quarterly Reviews have been completed • In subsequent quarters, be sure to address adverse findings from the previous quarter. • CAReS and WHIS Reviews are due quarterly for FFY09; during FFY10 the frequency will drop to two times per year. • CAReS enhancement is going well. |
| <p><u>Fee-for-Service Claim Payments</u></p> | <p>Juli Montgomery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seven agencies have submitted billing to IDPH. MATURA and Marion County were the first two agencies to submit claims. Overall, the billing |

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| | <p>process which is new to IDPH as well as to agencies is going well.</p> |
| <p><u>Budget Reduction/Review & Update</u></p> | <p><i>Jane Borst</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Powerpoint presentation. • Over the years, IDPH has worked hard to distribute the most funds possible to the local agencies. Budget reductions have been absorbed at the IDPH level to the maximum amount. • Who are all the state people funded by Title V?: Jane Borst, Melissa Ellis, Kim Brown, Alison Monsma all funded full time. Andrew Connet, Getchen Hageman, Steph Trusty and Andrew Connet are funded less than full time. • Remaining positions are funding by other sources, but still contribute to Title V programming. • Five vacant positions: Medicaid Administrative claiming (3), EPSDT Maternal Health and 1st Five Coordinator. • Positions Funded by Other Sources: Maternal & Reproductive Health, CH Systems Development, Center for Congenital & Inherited Disorders, Child Health (EPSDT, <i>hawk-i</i>, HCCI, Early ACCESS, Early Childhood Iowa, SSDI, Early Hearing Detection and Intervention) |
| <p><u>State & Federal Budget/Legislative Update</u></p> | <p><i>Jane Borst</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FFY2009 Title V budget is at the same level as last year. Right now the U.S. Senate and House are working on the budget sections relating to Title V. Iowa's Title V fully funded amount would be about \$8.5 million as compared to the present \$6.5 million. Now would be a good time to contact your US legislator regarding the Title V budget to share any opinions. • AMCHP's president testified to the U.S. Senate and House about Title V stories. More compelling Title V stories are needed – please contact your U.S. senator. Send e-mails to the Washington offices. Attend town meetings in Iowa over the spring break. • Early Childhood programs are anticipating increased funding • Health information technology is an emphasis area of the present administration. Short response times for proposals are anticipated. <p><i>Carrie Fitzgerald (Child and Family Policy Center)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handouts: Mid-Iowa Health Foundation Policy Brief: Iowa Child Health Policy: Building on Success; SF 101 Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention Program; and, Voter View: Iowan's Attitudes Toward State Health Care Reform December 2008. • Budget bill is currently undergoing intense negotiation. Budget can be reviewed online. Please e-mail Carrie, Lynh Patterson or Mollie Kottmeyer with specific concerns and recommendations. • Do not hesitate to contact your legislator with comments, concerns and suggestions regarding the federal stimulus bill. • Governor's new budget is out. • Child Health Policy Brief: rumor has it that the children's language is safe. • CHIPRA (Child Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act): Iowa Legislature may be the first state in the nation to implement many of the options under CHIPRA. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creditable coverage language is moving forward. • State performance measures: must enact at least five of the defined measures. • CHIPRA bill advice “If your state moves forward with the best intentions, you will not be penalized.” • Family Planning at the state level: not to panic; read Jodi Tomlonovic’s legislative updates. • Question: with electronic medical records how can it be known which programs will be viable in two to three years? No clear answer. There are several programs that have been developed that do not talk to each other (Iowa Health, Mercy Iowa, U of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics). The major partners are talking and making preliminary decisions. There are five work groups/steering committees. Databases within IDPH are also an issue. • With the Stimulus Package, projects must be “shovel ready” or “wrench ready.” • Attend local town meetings with state and federal elected officials. Where you can illustrate points with actual numbers of children and families that will be affected by specific cuts. <p><i>Julie McMahon</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget: the FY10 budget is in a state of flux right now as legislators continue to grapple with the declining revenues/increasing needs. • State MCH/Oral Health budgets: to date, the FY09 budgets have not absorbed the cuts (deappropriations) that some other programs have taken. • FY2010: Trying to keep level funding for MCH/Oral Health as compared to the April 2009 funding amounts. • An additional challenge is that FY2011 and FY2012 will probably also be difficult years since Iowa tends to be slow to come out of an economic decline. • Unless there is an increase in the federal Title V budget, MCH/Oral Health programs will have additional reductions during FFY10. • Input gathered from grantees’ surveys will be important in structuring business in the future. Communications, trust and honesty continue to be very important. State and local staff must figure out how to work smarter, more efficiently and demonstrate outcomes. • State staff need to hear from the local agencies about what is really going on at the local level and hear any suggestions you have to offer. • Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Funding: Agencies might consider asking for assistance from the local boards of health in disaster-impacted counties as SSBG funds have been distributed to designated counties. |
| <p><u>Effective Strategies to Budget Reductions</u></p> | <p><i>Grantee dialogue led by Gloria Witzberger and Val Campbell</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Val Campbell introduced this discussion time for grantees to share budget reduction strategies. Try to focus on constructive solutions. • Gloria (HACAP): not fill a staff vacancy; be honest with staff; talk to internal and external partners to explore areas to increase efficiency. • Paula K @ New Opps: reduce 15% to 5% Title V care coordinator. • Communicate with partners so they understand reduced staff hours. • Reassign staff, cut staff hours; map out each staff’s hours per program • E-mail ideas to Heather Hobert Hoch. She will post ideas in The Update. |

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| Agenda Items for Next Meeting/Adjournment | <i>Gloria Witzberger</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The next BFH Grantee Committee Meeting will be held via the ICN on June 18, 2009.• If you have an agenda item for the next meeting, contact Gloria Witzberger at gwitzberg@hacap.org or Heather Hobert Hoch.• Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. |

**FY 2010 Proposed Meeting Dates for Bureau of
Family Health Grantee Committee Meetings**

(to be voted on at Grantee Meeting)

October 5, 2009 (in conjunction with Fall Seminar)

January 21, 2010

**April 2010 (in conjunction with Public Health
Conference) – *optional meeting***

June 17, 2010



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1. The conference call was an effective medium to share ideas among agencies. [Download](#)

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2. Information presented by other agencies was useful and could be implemented within my own agency. [Download](#)

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3. Budget Update information presented by Julie McMahon and Jane Borst was beneficial? [Download](#)

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| 4. Are there topics you would like to have discussed at the June 18 Grantee Committee Meeting? | Download |
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HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT [441]

Notice of Intended Action

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 249A.4, the Department of Human Services proposes to amend Chapter 79, “Other Policies Relating to Providers of Medical and Remedial Care,” Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment sets Medicaid reimbursement policy for translation or interpretation services provided in connections with use of Medicaid services by members whose primary language is not English. Provision of translation or interpretation services for persons with limited English proficiency is required for federally funded programs by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Children’s Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 raises the level of federal reimbursement for these services in the Medicaid program.

Under this amendment, the Department will set a fee for translation and interpretation services, and providers whose reimbursement is determined by a fee for service will be able to bill this service in addition to the Medicaid service provided. Providers whose reimbursement is cost-based are already able to include these expenses in their cost reports.

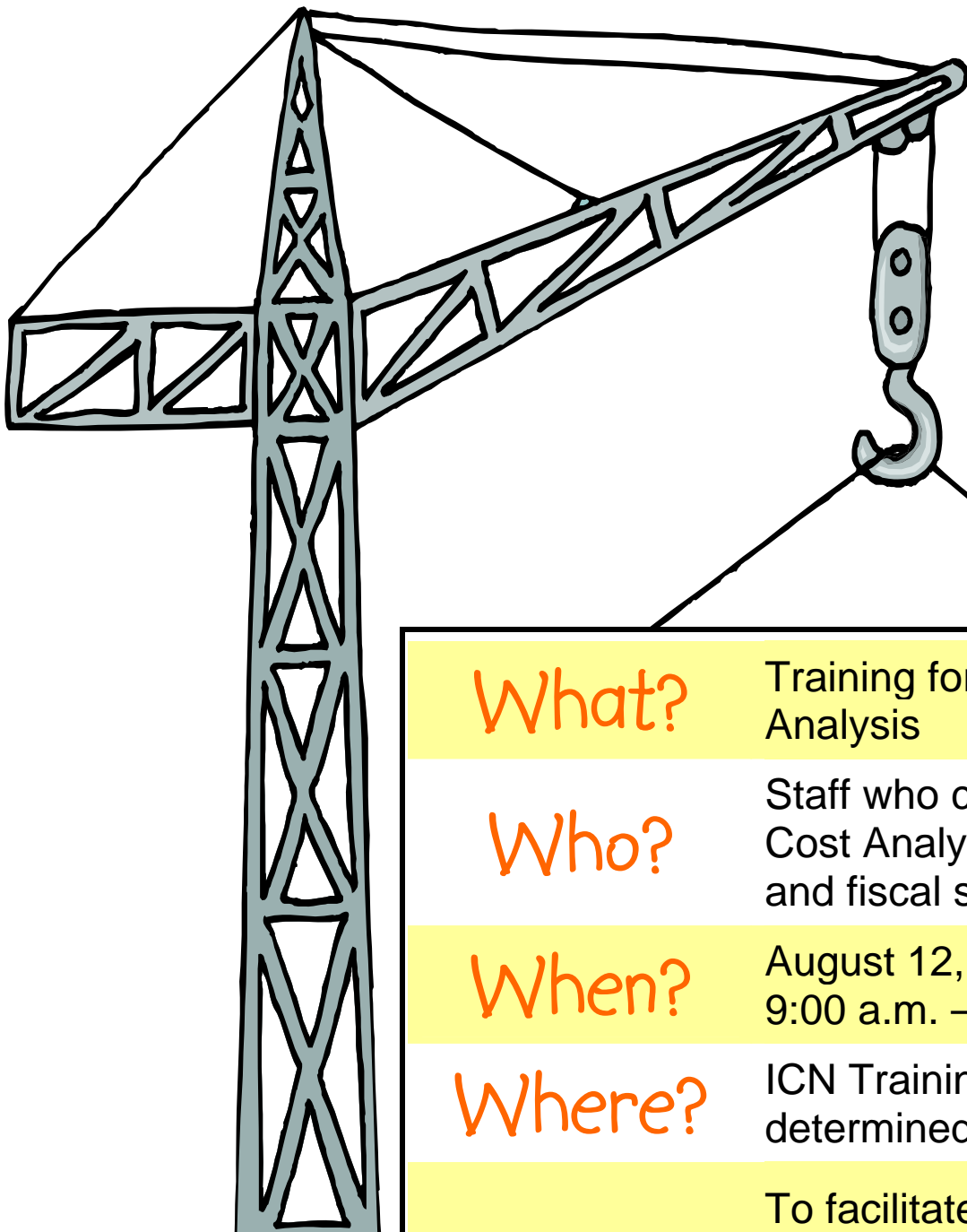
This amendment does not provide for waivers in specified situations because the changes benefit the providers affected. Requests for the waiver of any rule may be submitted under the Department’s general rule on exceptions at 441--1.8(17A,217).

This amendments has also been Adopted and Filed Emergency and is published herein as ARC 7---B. The purpose of this Notice is to solicit comment on that submission, the subject matter of which is incorporated by reference.

Any interested person may make written comments on the proposed amendment on or before June 22, 2009. Comments should be directed to Mary Ellen Imlau, Bureau of Policy Analysis and Appeals, Department of Human Services, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0114. Comments may be sent by fax to (515)281-4980 or by E-mail to policyanalysis@dhs.state.ia.us.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 249A.4 and 2009 Iowa Acts, Senate File 389, section 38(5).

Save the Date



What?

Training for 2010 MCH Cost Analysis

Who?

Staff who complete the MCH Cost Analysis (both program and fiscal staff)

When?

August 12, 2009
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Where?

ICN Training (Sites to be determined)

Why?

To facilitate accurate completion of the 2010 Maternal and Child Health Cost Analysis (Due to IDPH by October 15, 2009)



For questions related to your time studies or cost analysis, contact Carol Hinton at (515) 281-6924 or chinton@idph.state.ia.us.



CHESTER J. CULVER, GOVERNOR
PATTY JUDGE, LT. GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
CHARLES J. KROGMEIER, DIRECTOR

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 813

TO: All Iowa Medicaid Providers
FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)
DATE: June 11, 2009
SUBJECT: Additional Sessions for Annual Provider Training 2009

Earlier this spring the IME invited all Iowa Medicaid providers to a series of training sessions to be held throughout the state of Iowa (Informational Letter 795). Demand for two of the sessions, General Policies and Procedures and Documentation Standards, has been so great that the IME has scheduled additional sessions for those topics. The additional sessions will be held on July 7th and 8th in Des Moines. Please see the chart below for times and locations.

General Medicaid Policies and Procedures is an overview of our program intended for providers who are new to Medicaid or are struggling with basic billing issues. It is not provider-category-specific, so providers can choose to attend the session(s) that best fits their schedule. These sessions cover the following topics:

- * General Medicaid Policies
* Billing information
* Claims troubleshooting
* Recent and upcoming issues affecting providers
* General questions and answers

Documentation Standards is a review of the Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) Chapter 79. The information in this session is important to all provider types. Instructors will discuss the documentation required by the IAC.

Handy reference material on all Annual Training topics is already available on our website at: http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Providers/TrainingSchedule.html. In addition providers not able to attend any of the live sessions can also access free training module versions of each session topic via the IME Provider homepage (http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Providers/) after September 1, 2009.

Listed below are the dates, times, and location of the additional Annual Training sessions. All providers are welcome to attend both morning and afternoon sessions. Please complete the attached Registration Form and then either fax, e-mail or mail the form to the attention of Provider Services. There is no charge for attending these training sessions. These sessions will be held at the Wallace Building Auditorium, 502 East 9th St, Des Moines. A parking garage is located to the west of the building.

Table with 3 columns: Day, 9 am - 12 pm, 1 pm - 3 pm. Rows include Tuesday 7/7/09 and Wednesday 7/8/09 with session topics.

Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

Annual Provider Training 2009

Registration Form for Additional Des Moines Sessions

Provider Name: _____

Provider Number: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

| Date | Location | Name of Session | Time | Number of Attendees |
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| | Des Moines | General Policies & Procedures | 9A-12P | |
| | Des Moines | Documentation Standards | 1-3P | |

Please plan on attending your selections; we will only contact you if we are not able to accommodate your request.

Please return this registration form to:

Iowa Medicaid Enterprise
Attn: Provider Services
PO Box 36450
Des Moines, IA 50315

- or -

515-725-1155 (Fax)

- or -

imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us

For questions please contact Provider Services:
800-338-7909 or 515-725-1004 local to Des Moines

First Years First Q & A RFP Questions

Private Match

Q: Is a local foundation considered a local match?

A: Yes.

Q: Is a casino foundation considered private match?

A: Yes.

Q: If a member of your board is a member of a local foundation, would that be a conflict?

A: No, this is not a conflict provided that the member excuses him/herself from the board discussion related to the RFP.

Funding Cycle

Q: If the grant proposal includes expansion through the completion of a building project, how much of the new building must be complete within the grant time frame?

A: Completion must be within the two year time frame.

Q: Even though we applied for funds from the community foundation before the FYF RFP comes out, if we are awarded these funds and the community foundation gives their approval to be a business partner, could we use what we receive as our private sector match, even though we applied for it *before* FYF was ready?

A: Yes.

Applicants per CEA or County

Q: Will there be a maximum number of applicants per area or county?

A: No, the criteria for funding are based on the eligibility requirements and quality of projects submitted.

Q: How many awards will be awarded?

A: Given that there is a finite amount of funding available, this will be contingent on the amount of funding requested by and funding approved for applicants.

Coordinating with Empowerment Board

Q: What is meant by coordinating with Empowerment board?

A: Coordination includes a letter of support by the local empowerment board to ensure explicit approval. At a minimum, the local empowerment board will serve as a coordinating body between the proposed project and other existing early childhood programs in the area.

Eligibility

Q: Would a local government or 28E status be eligible to apply?

A: Yes.



You are invited to join us for the ***Early Childhood Iowa Professional Development Component Group Meeting***. It will be held on Wednesday, July 1st, 2009. The meeting will be held at the DMACC Conference Center, in Newton, Iowa from 9:30-4:00. Here is a link to directions to the center: <http://www.dmacc.edu/mapnewton.asp>. We will have social and check-in time from 9:00 – 9:30.

We are working on a solid agenda that will allow you to have networking time and a strong focus on learning about various professional development activities supporting currently in place.

Our Purpose/Goals/Objectives of this meeting include:

- Providing updates on current activities supporting our comprehensive system;
- A complete overview of new PD structure and to gather buy-in;
- Explain how component group members can be a part in the new structure; and
- Acknowledge partners/stakeholders' accomplishments; how they're connected to this work and the structure.

If you are interested and able to join us for this meeting, please RSVP to Lindsay Miller at the Iowa Department of Public Health by June 24th. Lindsay's email address is: LMiller@idph.state.ia.us. As we will be providing a lunch for this meeting and will have handouts for participants, we appreciate your letting us know of your attendance. Please send Lindsay your name, title, contact information, and indicate if you will need a vegetarian lunch. Thank you!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact either Barb Merrill at bmerrill@iowaaec.org or Shanell Wagler at Shanell.wagler@iowa.gov. We serve as the current co-chairs of this component group.

Thanks for the work that you do to support young children and their families, and providing or supporting the professional development of the providers in all of our systems. We hope to see you at our July 1st meeting.

Shanell and Barb

Early Childhood Iowa Regional Meeting

(Light Breakfast Provided)

Thursday July 9, 2009
8:30 a.m. - noon
Greteman Center
(attached to Holy Spirit Parish)
421 East Bluff Street
Carroll, IA 51401-3076

Directions/Map:

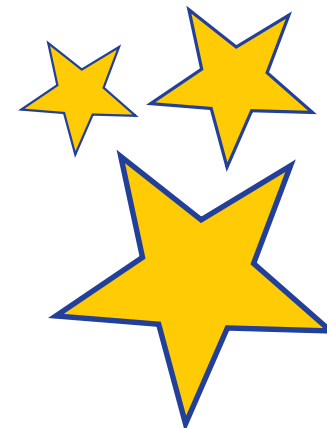
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Parking available off of Bluff or on the north side of the building on East 1st Street



Agenda

- ▶ 8:30 - 9 a.m. **Networking & Welcome**
- ▶ 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. **ECI Overview**
- ▶ 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. **ECI Strategic Plan**
 - Indicator, goal measure and strategies small work group
- ▶ 10:45 - 11:00 a.m. **Break**
- ▶ 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. **Professional Development Update**
- ▶ 11:45 - 11:55 a.m. **Other Updates**
- ▶ 11:55 - noon **Next Steps**



*If you would like to attend this meeting, please RSVP to
Jenny Hodges at jhodges@idph.state.ia.us or call (515) 281-4926*