

Healthy St. Mary's Partnership
Access to Care Action Team
November 13, 2018 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Health Connections, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital

Minutes

1. **Attendance:** Kerry Miciotto – Department of Social Services (DSS), Rachel Solomon – Pathways, Inc, Joanna Bartow – St. Mary's College of Maryland (SMCM), Jacqueline Fournier – Department of Public Works & Transportation-St. Mary's Transit System (DPW&T-STs), Nat Scroggins – Minority Outreach Coalition (MOC), Mike Shaw – St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD), Yolanda Hipski – Tri-County Council, Lori Werrell – MedStar St. Mary's Hospital (MSMH), Laura Webb – Walden
2. **Hispanic Needs Resource Guide**
 - a. After the October meeting discussion about creating a resource guide of services for the local Hispanic community, Jacquie spoke with Jenna about creating a Survey Monkey to gather the information and then using the Health Department graphic designer to create a one pager that could be distributed in the community. The team reviewed the [draft survey](#) and provided feedback.
 - b. Based on the feedback, the [edited survey](#) can be found here. Please provide comments to [Jacquie](#) by November 26. Following this, the survey will be distributed for collection. Please share the survey with community organizations.
 - c. The team discussed having the one pager be brief and including a link to a webpage with a more detailed resource guide.
3. **Southern Maryland Transportation Project Update**
 - a. Yolanda provided an executive summary for the Wheels 2 Wellness program. They completed 118 rides in October. The plan is for the pilot of the program to last through June 2019. The long-term goal is for there to be a centralized phone number for community members to call where they will have a ride scheduled based on their eligibility for different transportation options in the community. They are keeping an eye on similar projects around the country to see how they mature (ex. Lansing, Michigan).
4. **2019 HSMP Advocacy Agenda**
 - a. The HSMP Steering Committee is asking each action team to look at the [2017 Advocacy Agenda](#) and discuss if they would like to propose a public policy to the Steering Committee to add to the 2019 Advocacy Agenda.
 - b. One topic the team discussed was Access to Care for the elderly (e.g. Geripsych beds) based on the prediction that the elderly population in St. Mary's County will grow exponentially in the coming years.



5. Partner Updates

- a. It's HSMP Election season! [Nominations](#) for HSMP Co-Chair and Vice-Chair are due by 5:00 p.m. on November 16.
- b. STS is working on route enhancements including extra stops during the Christmas season and updating schedules in the coming months.
- c. STS has begun working on their 5 year Transportation Development Plan.
- d. Walden now has an Access Team that focuses on getting people into residential treatment. The new Access Manager is Keisha Bines.
- e. Walden is requesting community groups and organizations in which individuals served or employees/volunteers who have a vested interest in recovery support for behavioral health-related concerns for youth, adults and families to allow us to schedule a Listening Circle at your location. Listening Circles take on average 20 minutes and no more than 30 minutes. Information gained from the Listening Circle process is considered in strategic planning for Walden's recovery support efforts. A summary report is also available to the community. If interested, please contact Laura Webb at 301-997-1300 x 804 or at lauraw@waldensierra.org.
- f. Rachel and Kerrie Hortch with the Judy Center are looking to gain interest and schedule a Hispanic Women's Support Group at Carver Elementary School. Let them know if you have anyone interested in participating.
- g. Fiesta Night and the Community Resource Day were both very successful events.
- h. DSS is working on a grant with SMCHD to address the rise in substance-exposed newborns.
- i. Health Connections is launching a new Crockpot Cooking Class. The first class is by invite only (8 families were invited) on Thursday November 15 at East Run Medical Center.
- j. MSMH's Drive-Thru Flu Clinic was very successful and they are looking to do one again next year and possibly expand it to have an event at East Run.
- k. MSMH is submitting a grant proposal to get a Dental Program up and running at East Run.
- l. Maryland Health Connection's [open enrollment](#) runs through December 15. They had an event at the Lexington Park Library this past Saturday and are looking to schedule another event before the end of open enrollment.

6. Communications

- a. Share events and news with HSMP partners through the HSMP Newsletter, calendar & social media outlets! Submit information at: <http://healthystmarys.com/newsletter/> or email stmaryspartnership@gmail.com

7. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. **Access to Care Team:** Tuesday, December 11, 2018 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.

