# Healthy St. Mary's Partnership Access to Care Action Team June 11, 2019 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Health Connections, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital

#### **Minutes**

1. Attendance: Bob Frere – Department of Social Services (DSS), Jacquie Heaney – St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD), Mike Shaw – SMCHD, Ashley Milcetic – SMCHD, Rachel Solomon – Pathways, Aimee Hayes – Fresenius Kidney Care, Angela Horn – SMCHD, Shannon Heaney – SMCHD, Stephanie Freeman – community member, Charles Bingham – community member, Stephanie Clark – Seedco

### 2. Spanish Speaking Resource Guide

- a. Rachel took the first draft of the Quick Guide to Spanish Speaking Resources to her provider meeting for feedback. Everyone agreed that it was a good format, however, they requested that the key be labeled as such. They also agreed that the label "provider" works as stating a "provider of services." She is going to take the draft with her out into the community over the next week or so to gather more feedback and will send suggestions to Jacquie.
- b. Other edits discussed:
  - i. Including Domestic Violence supports (new provider coming to Leonardtown)
  - ii. Suggestion to add that DSS does X02 applications (coverage for emergency medical services for undocumented persons) and Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) energy bill assistance applications. Also include updated DSS phone number.
  - iii. MedStar Health Primary Care Office in Lexington Park should now be included under MedStar Medical Group as they have bought the practice.
  - iv. Distribution ideas:
    - 1. Digitally available on HSMP website
    - 2. Copies to Seedco, DSS, Health Department, hospital, Judy Center, etc.
    - 3. Distributed at targeted community events (e.g. Fiesta Day, Back to school events)
    - 4. See if it can be included in MedStar's quarterly newsletter. If yes, it should be advertised on the front page in Spanish with a page number so that it is eye catching.

#### 3. Parental Education on Dental Care for Children

**a.** The team discussed ways to increase awareness of the dental providers in the area that accept Medicaid as well as to increase the education surrounding the



- importance of dental care for children. Jacquie shared samples of MDH educational materials on the topic. She ordered copies in both English and Spanish and is waiting for them to be delivered. Jacquie and Jenna also discussed developing an Oral Care page on the SMCHD website and will be working with Libby to develop.
- **b.** At the Steering Committee meeting last week, it was suggested that we could look in to having primary care providers offer fluoride treatment while children are there for their check-ups. We will discuss this more at the July meeting.
- c. The team discussed attending events to do outreach or encouraging providers to attend events and working with the school PTAs to do educational events. At the July meeting we will discuss action items. Team members are encouraged to invite stakeholders to this meeting (dentists, pediatricians, etc.)

## 4. Cultivating Cultural/Bilingual Speakers for Chronic Disease

a. The Living Well with Diabetes program is a 6-week program. There is concern that the Hispanic community will not be able to meet this time commitment based on attendance at groups such as the Women's Workshop that Rachel has been hosting. It was suggested that there would be more success if we had a trusted Doctor in the community refer them to the course (Dr. Gomez with MedStar St. Clements was suggested). Action Item: Determine willingness to complete the training. Ideas included: Angela, Jackie from Head Start, a trusted Pastor, Dr. Gomez, and some of the women who participate in the Hispanic Wellbeing Group.

## 5. Partner Updates

- **a.** Rachel is going to revamp the Hispanic Women's Workshop. She's hoping to host an event, such as Aqua Zumba, to increase attendance and provide resources at the end for those that attend.
- **b.** The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual <u>Juneteenth Celebration</u> is this Saturday, June 15 from 12:00 8:00 p.m. at Lancaster Park.
- c. Pride of Southern Maryland will be Saturday, June 22 at 11:00 a.m. in Solomons.
- **d.** The Department of Social Services is currently undergoing internal changes as Kerry Miciotto has announced her retirement.
- e. Stephanie and Sean with Seedco are regularly at the Leonardtown and Lexington Park Libraries, the Department of Social Services, and East Run Medical Center (for those receiving services) offering enrollment access services.
- **f.** Mike provided an overview of <u>ACEs</u> and described the new program being run through SMCHD and DSS. They will be having a kick-off event showing the movie "<u>Resilience</u>" in July. More information to come.
- **g.** Registration for the 2019 HSMP Annual Meeting will be opening on Monday, June 17 keep an eye on your email for the registration link!



## 6. Communications

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

# 7. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. **Access to Care Team:** Tuesday, July 9, 2019 from 3:00 4:00 p.m. at Health Connections, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.
- b. **Healthy St. Mary's Partnership Annual Meeting**: Thursday, September 19, 2019 at the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center

