

Healthy St. Mary's Partnership  
Access to Care Action Team  
November 12, 2019 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Health Connections, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital

**Minutes**

- 1. Attendance:** Jacquie Heaney – St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD); Nat Scroggins – Minority Outreach Coalition (MOC); Stephanie Snode – SMCHD; Carla Hall – Walden Behavioral Health; Rachel Solomon – Pathways, Inc.; Jackie Jameson – Health Partners; Ivanice Ortiz Torres – Seedco; Mike Shaw – SMCHD; Bob frere – Department of Social Services (DSS); Lori Werrell – MedStar St. Mary's Hospital (MSMH); Cindy Lohman – Calvert County Health Department/SOMD Consortium of Care
  
- 2. Guide to Spanish Speaking Resources**
  - a. The guide is officially complete! It is available on the HSMP website in both [English](#) and [Spanish](#). Let Jacquie know if you need any copies printed.
  
- 3. Parental Education on Dental Care for Children**
  - a. At the October meeting the team discussed scheduling a CME event to gather providers in a room and encourage them to help us educate the community. Jacquie provided information on a conference she found happening in Iowa this week with a very relevant topic - [Closing the Divide: Integrating Medical & Dental Health Care](#). All of the speakers for this conference are from Iowa or Massachusetts. The team discussed reaching out to the University of Maryland Dental School and local dentists to see if anyone could speak on this topic. Once we have a speaker solidified we can schedule the event. Lori offered for MSMH to host the event and provide food. At the event we would provide the brochure/flyer passed around at the October meeting.
  
- 4. Cultivating Cultural/Bilingual Speakers for Chronic Disease**
  - a. The team decided to table this topic until a Spanish training is offered or a group of participants with a translator is established. There is the possibility for this piece to grow in the future as PreventionLink recruits providers and moves forward with the referral system.
  
- 5. Partner Updates**
  - a. MSMH will begin implementing SBIRT in the Emergency Department in 2020. They will also be onboarding Peer Recovery Coaches in the ED.
  - b. The East Run Dental Clinic has been open for 11 weeks. In this time they have seen 158 individual patients in 227 visits and have completed over 700 procedures. They have



received additional grant funding to open for a second day each week. Appointments can be scheduled by calling [Health Partners](#).

- c. The Wrapping Arms Round Many (WARM) program has new criteria this year. Participants must complete an intake interview/survey and prove that they are living on the streets and do not have an alternate option for living arrangements (e.g. hotel, staying with a friend/family member).
- d. Residents can apply for [Office of Home Energy Programs \(OHEP\)](#) energy bill assistance at the Department of Social Services.
- e. Deadline for 2020 health coverage through [Maryland Health Connection](#) is December 15. There will be a last chance enrollment event at the Lexington Park Library on December 14 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
- f. Maryland Department of Health/Maternal Child Health Bureau is seeking input from partner agencies as part of their Maryland Title V Maternal and Child Health Needs Assessment. There will be a [Southern Maryland Strategic Planning Session](#) on Wednesday, November 20 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. in California, MD and a Maternal Child Health Public Forum on Wednesday, November 20 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. in Hyattsville, MD.
- g. Rachel's Women's Group took October off for Fiesta Day. They will meet again tomorrow for a Zumba night.
- h. It's HSMP election season! If you did not receive the ballot for HSMP Co-Chair and Vice Chair from [stmaryspartnership@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryspartnership@gmail.com) please reach out to Jacquie to update your membership. Elections for Access to Care Co-Chairs will take place at the December meeting.
- i. SMCHD's [Strong Beginnings](#) program is moving forward. They are offering a class at the Detention Center on Mondays. They are hoping to find a way to incentivize it to increase attendance. They are looking to partner with the methadone clinic to better serve those clients.
- j. SMCHD has Nurse Practitioners in the clinic on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- k. SMCHD is hosting Flue Clinics for children 18 and under on December 5 and 19.

## 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](mailto:stmaryspartnership@gmail.com)

## 7. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. **Access to Care Team:** Tuesday, December 10, 2019 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Health Connections, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.

