

Healthy St. Mary's Partnership
Access to Care Action Team
January 9, 2018 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Health Connections, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital

Minutes

- 1. Attendance:** Jenna Guzman – St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD), Nicky Pires – Tri-County Council of Southern Maryland (TCCSMD), Yulissa Brown – SMCHD, Dorothy Flynn – St. Mary's Adult Medical Daycare Center, Nat Scroggins – Minority Outreach Coalition (MOC), Mike Shaw – SMCHD, Libby Blair – SMCHD, Will Hall – Department of Public Works & Transportation/STS, Stephanie Clark – Seedco, Lori Werrell – MedStar St. Mary's Hospital (MSMH)
- 2. Southern Maryland Transportation Grant:** Nicky Pires provided an update on the status of this project. TCCSMD will move forward with a limited launch of the pilot project as recommended & discussed at the last Access to Care meeting. The Arc of Southern Maryland and Center for Life Enrichment will fill the role of transportation providers for the limited launch. TCCSMD is meeting with MSMH and Calvert Memorial Hospital to work out the details for implementation. Ideally, these hospitals would identify appropriate users for referral. The United Way 211 line will also be linked in for greater access. Grant funding is being secured to support the limited launch. Letters of support are needed from Access to Care Team partners! Additional funding resources would also be welcomed. Contact Nicky at: npires@tccsmd.org for more information.
- 3. Team Priorities & Recruitment in 2018:** The team discussed possible directions for focus in 2018 including: health literacy, diabetes prevention & care access (connecting with the HEAL team?), cultural/language barriers, and health equity. The Access to Care measures from the [Healthy St. Mary's 2020 plan](#) and the [mid-cycle data update handout](#) from the HSMP Annual Meeting were distributed. Team members were asked to review this information and bring any thoughts/ideas on what the team should focus on to the next meeting. Team members were also encouraged to think about partners/members that are missing from the table. Recruitment ideas can be shared with Mike Shaw. *Jenna will send out a brief survey to the Access to Care listserv to collect input from members who were not present. The team will discuss this at the next meeting and vote on projects/priorities for the upcoming year. Lori will follow up with the HEAL team co-chairs to see if they would be interested in a collaborative effort around diabetes prevention and control.
- 4. Partner Updates:** SMCHD is hiring for several positions that could improve access to care. SMCHD is also hosting an Opioid Learning Series with the Library for the community. Mission of Mercy planning has begun (contact Libby for more information).



The Next MOM will be held on July 27/28 at North Point High School. New processes should increase the number of dental patients seen. STS has some new buses on the road and will be pulling some of the older models. MOC is organizing a panel event at CSM for MLK day. MSMH is co-hosting Women's Wellness Day with Delicados in February. East Run Medical Center should be open by March (fingers crossed) with classroom space, Community Health Workers, Primary Care, Psychiatric Care and Dental.

5. 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 stmaryspartnerhip@gmail.com

6. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. **Access to Care Team:** Tuesday, February 13, 2018 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.

