

BOARD UPDATES NOVEMBER 2014

Introduction

In an effort to ensure that the communities Feather River Tribal Health (FRTH) serves are kept informed, we provide a monthly update on activities of the organization. This update will be posted on our website for easy access. Minutes from meetings are sent out electronically to each of the 3 sponsoring Tribes following Board approval.

Finance Report

- Reviewed the final financial statement for the year and period ending 9/30/14
- Discussed the status of the upcoming audit
- Discussed the pay down made on the USDA loan
- Adjourned into Closed Session to discuss the recent assessment performed by the billing consultant and to review recommendations. Upon return into open session, the Board approved implementation of the recommendations made by the billing consultant.
- Reviewed the status of the SDPI grant and noted that next year's grant application will be competitive.
- Received information on the recent audit performed by the Diabetes Education Accreditation Program (DEAP)
- Received an update on the status of the Code 2 reimbursement
- Discussed the status of the EPSDT contract with Butte County
- Reviewed the closeout information on the CHAT and FOCIS grant for FY 13/14

P/RC/CHS

- Reviewed the level of spending for PRC for the 1st month of the new fiscal year

Committee Reports

The Board reviewed reports from the following committees:

QI Committee

- Reviewed monthly update for community newsletter for October 2014
- Reviewed the GPRA dashboard for FRTH for 2014
- Approved the credentialing of the new LCSW, Diana Frates
- Received information from CAHAN regarding changes in law that go into effect 1/1/15 re breach of patient's medical information and new requirement re counseling regarding legal end-of-life options
- Received an update from Sutter County Health Advisory re Ebola

BCHC/SVMS

- Received an update on the status of the Sac Valley MedShare group

Minutes

- Approved the minutes of the following meetings:
 - Regular Board meeting 10/20/14

Tribal Consultation

- Notes/information from the 10/22/14 IHS CATAC meeting
- Notes from the 10/23/14 IHS program directors meeting
- Information on the status of the southern CA YRTC including its name – Desert Sage
- Information on the recruitment of a new IHS CAO Director – advertising will be done in January 2015 with the anticipation that interviews will occur in March 2015
- Request for prioritizing budget issues for the FY 2017 IHS budget – FRTH priorities were listed as 1) CHS; 2) IHCIF; 3) Diabetes/Obesity; 4: Sequestration; 5) north & south YRTCs.

Strategic Plan

- Reviewed and approved the revised Provider Bylaws

New Business

- Discussed a request by the Dental Department regarding an RDA
- Authorized the executive director to look into the possibility of merging properties owned by FRTH in Oroville

Staff Reports

- Reviewed staff reports for the month of November 2014

Informational Items

Reviewed information on the following items:

- Article from the American Indian Institute on traditional Indian foods
- 11/13/14 update from the Washington Report
- Calendars for use for 2015
- Information on the upcoming Senior Holiday Craft Fair scheduled for 12/12/14
- Information on 2 grinding stones that were donated to FRTH for display