

BOARD UPDATES FEBRUARY 2015

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.

Tribal Elections

- Board accepted Berry Creek Rancheria's resolution noting re-appointment of James Edwards as Tribal Chair through 1/12/19. Also accepted the election results from Enterprise Rancheria appointing Cindy Smith and Donna Rodriguez as Directors to FRTH and Armida Rosalez as Alternate through 2/14/19

Finance Report

- Reviewed the financial statement for the periods ending 11/30/14 and 12/31/14
- Discussed progress being made in billings
- Adopted the Sliding Fee Scale for 2015
- Reviewed and updated the fee schedule for Medical and BHS in order to conform with Managed Care and Medicare
- Discussed updating fee schedules for the service departments
- Reviewed the status of the Tri Counties Bank loan and noted that the agency has saved \$43,000 in interest on the loan allowing for a quicker pay down
- Received an update on the status of the grants of the agency – SDPI, CHAT, FOCIS, and DSS
- Reviewed the new grant from Butte County Public Health regarding a car seat program
- Noted that the annual corporate meeting is scheduled for 3/16/15 at 5:30 p.m.
- Approved advertising for the Yuba City facility
- Approved a purchase order for medications for Pharmacy
- Approved the replacement of a sterilizer for the Dental Department
- Approved the purchase of 2 additional dental sensors because of the addition of another dentist
- Approved entering into a new agreement with CRIHB Care for the period 1/1/15 – 10/31/15

P/RC/CHS

- Reviewed the level of spending for January 2015 and year-to-date expenditures
- Reviewed and approved 2 purchase orders for payment of PRC services in amounts exceeding \$10,000

Committee Reports

The Board reviewed reports from the following committees:

QI Committee

- Reviewed monthly update for community newsletter for January 2015
- Approved the re-appointment of 4 providers
- Reviewed information regarding the recent fire inspections performed on the Oroville and Yuba City facilities

Butte County Health Collaborative/Sac Valley MedShare

- Reviewed information on the contract renewal with the Sac Valley MedShare and minutes of 12/4/14 meeting

ITTF

- Provided information regarding the recent ITTF meeting held 2/11/15 and reviewed minutes of the 1/14/15 meeting

Minutes

- Approved the minutes of regular Board meeting held 1/19/15
- Approved the minutes of the special Board meetings held 1/26/15 and 1/30/15

Tribal Consultation

- Reviewed information on DHCS Waiver for Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health
- Reviewed information on DHCS – SPA 15-012 regarding Substance Use Disorder Expansion
- Reviewed information on DHCS – SPA 15-005 regarding Allied Dental Professionals
- Reviewed DHCS 1115 Waiver regarding Tribal Uncompensated Care requesting extension of the program for 5 years (currently due to expire 10/31/15)

Strategic Plan

- Discussed the status of implementation of IHS' EHR 2014 and noted a delay due to IHS' infra-structure problems
- Received information on a leak in an exam room from an AC unit
- Heard update on VA contract for reimbursement of services
- Approved updated organizational charts of FRTH departments
- Approved the purchase of anti-virus software from CBI which was previously been provided by IHS
- Noted the increase in patient registrations and requested inclusion at the upcoming strategic planning meeting in June
- Approved going to summer hours for the period of 6/10/15 – 8/18/15 – 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. in Oroville – Monday – Friday
- Received an update on the status of Contract Support Costs and its impact on the 2016 IHS budget

New Business

- Increased daily participation of the Senior Nutrition Program to 30 participants per day and set attendance requirements for minimum number of meals per month in order to be eligible for off-site meals
- Reviewed a revision to the Staff Development policy and noted that a special workshop would be set at the next regular meeting to address revisions to the Personnel Policy
- Reviewed a memo from the Outreach Director regarding recent measles outbreak and need for immunizations – approved cost to do titer and/or immunize Native American patients and staff based on CDC and public health guidelines
- Approved finalizing calibration of dental equipment in preparation for accreditation

Staff Reports

- Reviewed staff reports for the month of February 2015

Informational Items

Reviewed information on the following items:

- IHS Newsletter – Winter 2015
- HHS – Tools for Tax Season
- HHS – Volume to Value article
- FRTH Newsletter – February 2015
- Yuba-Sutter Transit – short range transit plan update
- Tribal Self Governance – Newsletter – 2/19/15
- Thank you card – Dr. Stark