

BOARD UPDATES APRIL 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.

Board Elections

- Held election for Board Secretary – Cindy Smith, Enterprise Rancherias was elected

Finance Report

- Reviewed the financial statement for the periods ending 2/28/15
- Discussed Master Patient Index agreement with Indian Health Service and potential cost impact
- Reviewed acceptance letter from Office of Inspector General accepting the 2012/13 audit
- Received notice of the increase in the rate per visit approved by CMS for Indian Health Service
- Received information on the extension of the Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) extension for 2 years by Congress
- Received information on the upcoming 2014/15 audit for FRTH and audit field work dates
- Reviewed information on a purchase order for medications from IHS
- Reviewed the 2013/14 settlement on the Medicare Cost Report
- Reviewed information on the status of the 401k plan for FRTH

P/RC/CHS

- Reviewed the level of spending for March 2015 and year-to-date expenditures

Committee Reports

The Board reviewed reports from the following committees:

QI Committee

- Reviewed minutes of the Technology Committee meeting held 4/7/15 including top priorities that have been identified
- Reviewed information from recent department head meeting
- Patient satisfaction survey being conducted 4/20 – 4/24/15
- Minutes of QI Committee meeting held 3/25/15 provided for review
- Reviewed the status of implementation of ICD10 – set for October 2015
- Reviewed information on the recent AAAHC survey exit interview

Butte County Health Collaborative/Sac Valley MedShare

- Reviewed status of membership at Sac Valley MedShare by stepping down as Secretary of the corporation
- BCHC meeting will be held every other month starting in June

CIMC

- Appointed Barbara Bird, delegate, and Jessie Griffin, Alternate and adopted Resolution 15-01 regarding participation in CIMC

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Minutes

- Approved the minutes of regular Board meeting held 3/17/15
- Approved the minutes of the special Board meetings held 3/24/15 and 3/31/15

Tribal Consultation

- Reviewed the status of the Medicare-like rate
- Definition of an FQHC
- Status of hiring a new California Area Director for IHS
- Reviewed a letter from IHS regarding prioritization of health care issues
- Reviewed information supporting AB941 exempting Tribal health programs from licensure fees and agreed to provide letter of support to CRIHB

Strategic Plan

- Reviewed status of merging lots in Oroville
- Discussed preparation of workshop re Personnel Policies and agreed to change date for workshop to 5/12/15

Contract Support Costs

- Reviewed information regarding the status of the contract support cost claims filed by FRTM with IHS

Staff Reports

- Reviewed staff reports for the month of April 2015

Informational Items

Reviewed information on the following items:

- Open House announcement from Chapa De set for 5/17/15
- Article on groundbreaking of NVIH new facility
- UC Davis conference with Congressman Garamendi held 4/17/15
- Oroville Pow Wow scheduled for 5/23 – 5/24/15 at Berry Creek Rancheria
- Update on the rollout of EHR 2014 patch from IHS and Master Patient Index