## Greater Richmond & Petersburg Oral Health Steering Committee Monday, January 26, 2018 | 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm | VaOHC Offices

#### Participants

Ayala, Brenda Daniel, Stephanie Epps, Juanita Grossnickle, Jennifer Isom, Teresa Johnson, Lisette Liggins, Valerie Mackenzie, Sheena Mansfield, Victoria Minoza, David Noriega, Robert Raskin, Sarah Reed, Kerri Richbourg, Kimberly Shuck, April Sport, Kyle Tolkin, Eric Vernon, Dearsley Wells, JoAnn Wesley, Paige Williams, Freda Zucker, Richard

#### VaOHC Staff

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# Action Items

- Grassroots Advocacy: Have a joint meeting with the safety net workgroup.
- Pregnant women: Reach out to Dr. Alton Hart at Crater Health district, Dr. Bobby Dewhart at Community Action Network, and/or a community health worker from Petersburg
- Pregnant women: Identify one person from DMAS to join the pregnant women group
- Safety net: Grantees of RMHF PCMH grant recruit patients for their focus groups next meeting
- Safety net: Need to establish timeline for survey/patient focus groups with the PCMH Collaborative
- School age: Select sites in Richmond and Petersburg for pilot testing strategies to improve consent form return rates
- School age: Joint meeting with Chesterfield public schools (Teresa Isom), Smile VA, and VDH sealant program

#### **Announcements**

Lauren provided brief announcements at the beginning of the meeting, prior to breaking out into subcommittees.

- Budget Amendment to Add an Adult Dental Benefit in Medicaid: Delegate Mark Sickles and Senator George Barker have both introduced budget amendments to Virginia's House of Delegates and Senate, respectively, to ensure all adults enrolled in Virginia Medicaid have access to a dental benefit. An adult dental benefit for current Medicaid enrollees will improve health and save money. For more information: <u>http://bit.ly/2018VAMedicaid</u>
- February is National Children's Dental Health Month
  - Am. Dental Association resources: <u>https://www.ada.org/en/public-programs/national-childrens-dental-health-month</u>
  - VDH Livewell also has resources: <u>http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/vdhlivewell/</u>
- Oral Health Access for Individuals with Special Health Care Needs: VaOHC & VDH are coordinating several events in Petersburg on the topic of oral health care for individuals with special needs on Thursday, March 22 – Saturday, March 24:
  - Free community conversation, open to all | Thursday, March 22, 4:30 pm 6:30 pm at the Petersburg Health Department | <u>http://bit.ly/CCMarch22</u>

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 Free dental CE | Friday, March 23 – Saturday, March 24 at the Petersburg Health Department | <u>http://bit.ly/SNMarch23</u>

# Subcommittee Report-Outs

Each subcommittee broke out into groups, then reconvened at the end of the meeting. Each group reported out on what they discussed and next steps:

- Grassroots advocacy
  - Infographic: need info from safety net committee to lift up gaps, target community; could also work with school age work group
  - Discussed other advocacy opportunities, such as
    - business community (local Chambers, workforce centers) emphasize impact of dental issues on lost work hours
    - Community centers such as the YMCA health literacy information
    - Increasing awareness of the <u>CCC+ value add dental benefits</u> for dually-eligible seniors
  - Connect with safety net group next meeting
- Safety net
  - Looked at provider questions to refine them more; looked at issue of compliance, cultural/language barriers, patient portals agreeing on common definitions
  - Grantees of RMHF PCMH grant recruit patients for their focus groups next meeting
  - o Discussed purpose of stakeholder interviews
  - Timeline of this research project let folks know before next meeting
- School Age
  - Gave overview of VDH and Smile Virginia programs
  - Identifying schools to do pilot by September
  - Select 2 in RVA, 2 in Petersburg that have both programs
  - Identify 2 strategies to implement
  - Utilize CiS staff implement something with one of their events (e.g., family literacy night)
  - o Teresa going to coordinate meeting with Chesterfield, Smile VA, VDH sealant program
  - o **Comments** 
    - GKAS sites will be very receptive
- Pregnant women
  - Goal to improve # of pregnant women in Medicaid who know about their care and utilizing care
  - Focus on Petersburg (high infant mortality)
  - Community action network sharing materials/info with them
  - Community Health Workers (CHW) certification process/curriculum include oral health in CE process
  - o **Comments** 
    - Dr. Hart
    - Resource Mothers
    - L. Mangun CHW in Petersburg

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