

The New Mexico Diabetes Advisory Council

December 7, 2007

Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions – Rosemary Anslow

Approval of Minutes as reported for the meeting held Sept. 7, 2007.

2. DPCP Update – Judith Gabriele

Resources

- The DPCP FY 09 funding applications have been sent out for community initiatives and diabetes management. The awards will be no more than \$20,000. If you didn't get one and may be interested in applying, please go to our website, www.diabetesnm.org and download it from there.
- If you're not familiar with the National Diabetes Education Program, check it out at <http://ndep.nih.gov/>
- On December 6, 2007 the DPCP partnered with DAC to provide a grant writing training.
- Our interactive web-based training on Diabetes and Depression is up and running. We've had more than 300 people visit the site and about 100 apply for CEUs. Surprisingly, most of our trainees are from out of state, so we encourage those of you who haven't taken the training to check it out at www.diabetesnm.org. If you have feedback about your experience, please let Anna Hargreaves know at anna.hargreaves@state.nm.us.
- Our fact sheet was just updated and you can download it from our website at http://www.diabetesnm.org/documents/Diabetes_Facts_Nov07.pdf.
- Information about the Adaptive Ski Program in Santa Fe can be found at www.adaptiveski.org.
- We've stopped printing the Gazettes. For the latest issue - Lipid Licking Guides - please contact Patty Anello at 476-7610.

Partnerships

- DPCP is continuing to work with NMHCTOD, NMMRA, the health plans, UNM and other partners to improve dilated eye exam rates. Ben Archer Clinic has agreed to pilot this program.
- The Bureau of Health Emergency Management encourages you to talk to your county or tribal health council about their emergency preparedness plans.
- Thanks to Kellie Gragg and Home Diagnostics for sponsoring today's meeting.

3. Lions Vision Program – Jeff Kriz

Jeff Kriz described a number of projects the Lions are working on that relate to improving the lives of children and adults with vision problems. Among these are the eye vans that provide eye exams for diabetes patients; a GPS instrument that a

blind person can carry on their shoulder for help with directions; a research project with UNM eye experts as well as with medical students to encourage them to participate in the eye van program; and the ongoing training of helper dogs. Jeff also mentioned that they appreciate receiving eyeglass donations, so people can bring these to the next DAC meeting.

4. Legislative Update – Veronica DeLaGarza and Natasha Ning

Veronica and Natasha discussed the many activities they have been conducting in support of the Diabetes Bill being presented by Rep. Ken Martinez at the next legislative session. They encourage DAC members to contact their representatives to let them know about the bill and to show up at Roundhouse Diabetes Day on January 16, 2008.

5. Data Update – Judith Gabriele

Judith presented the latest diabetes data in the state overall and by ethnic group for prevalence, death rates and preventive health practices. She also touched on access to resources and the economic burden of diabetes. Details of this presentation can be found at <http://www.diabetesnm.org/programs/dac.htm>.

6. CEU Session: Diabetic Eye Disease William Jones, OD

The essence of Dr. Jones' presentation was to describe the impact of diabetes on a patient's vision using photos and case studies as illustrations. Dr. Jones described the use of new technologies such as Ocular Coherence Tomography (OCT) and Kinetic Field Testing to diagnose the many forms of diabetic retinopathy. He talked about how to detect background, ischemic, and proliferative diabetic retinopathy, and he showed many examples of fluorescein angiography (FA), including wide-field FA. Details of this presentation are available at <http://www.diabetesnm.org/programs/dac.htm>.

7. Job Postings

- Espanola Hospital – Contact Kathy Garcia at 367-4402
 - 1 full time Community Health Promotora
 - 1 half time Community Health Promotora
 - 1 full time registered dietitian (Espanola Schools)
- Acoma Canoncito Laguna Service Unit – IHS (ACLSU) Call 552-5361
 - Public Health Nutritionist FT temporary position (2 years)
 - Would prefer a CDE but will help chosen candidate achieve CDE.
- La Familia Medical Center – Contact Dr. Sue Perry at 982-5460
 - 1 full time CDE

The next DAC Meeting will be on March 7, 2007 from 9-1 at the Sandia Resort.