



minnesota asthma coalition

**Minnesota Asthma Coalition
Steering Committee
Meeting Minutes**
Tuesday, January 25 2005
American Lung Association of Minnesota
Board Room 12:00pm-2:00pm

Chair: Don Uden

Members Attending: Ashok Patel, Barbara Yawn, Erica Fishman, Deb Haider, Susan Ross, Thomas Helm, Tammy John, Janet Keysser, John Jacobsen.

Staff Attending: Michelle Moncrieffe Foreman, Chris Krueger, Jill Heins, Amy Roggenbuck, Erin Simmons, Maureen Strange, Lori Swanson, Doreen Hanson, Judy Wothke, Penny Fena, Cheryl Sasse.

Guests Attending: Brittany McFadden

Meeting Agenda

Topic	Discussion	Decision / Action
12:00 PM – 12:15 Call to Order – Don Uden	Call Meeting to order. No action required.	
12:15 PM –12:20 PM Approve Minutes- Don Uden	Review of prior minutes from 9/15/04 Motion to approve minutes required. Background Materials: Minutes from 9/15/04 Meeting	Motion to approve Steering Committee Minutes from 9/15/04 passed by members.
12:20 PM – 12:30 PM Update on merger of ALAMN and ALA Illinois/Iowa- Jerry Orr	Overview of decision to merge ALAMN and ALA Illinois/Iowa on July 1, 2005 No Action Required. ALAMN CEO Jerry Orr provided overview of recent decision to join ALAMN with ALA of Illinois/Iowa. Merger is scheduled to take place June of 2005. It is likely that Wisconsin, North and South Dakota as well as Chicago ALA's will join in the future.	
12:30 PM – 1:10 PM MAC Regional Update	Update provided by MAC Regional Coordinators NWRAC – Michelle Moncrieffe Foreman reported the NWRAC is planning to host Asthma Management and Guidelines professional education course on February 23, Paul Iverson and David Erickson will be presenting. The NWRAC was pleased to have 7 members in attendance at their last coalition meeting. NERAC – Maureen Strange reported they would be holding a PACE seminar on May 20-21 and asked for assistance from PACE faculty both Don Uden and Tom Helm expressed interest.	

	<p>Maureen reported there is a lot of interest in the NE region for asthma updates. The NERAC has been meeting in small groups throughout the region. Two school nurse trainings have been held by MDH in the last month.</p> <p>ECRAC- Lori Swanson shared the fantastic report of the PACE seminar held in Wyoming. They had 18 providers attend the seminar and had a positive response from both participants and PACE faculty.</p> <p>The EC region purchased books for children about asthma and donated several to the local library.</p> <p>CMRAC – Kathleen Milligan was unable to attend the meeting. Cheryl Sasse reported that the Central Region would be holding Pharmacy training on March 31.</p> <p>WCRAC – Don Uden welcomed Doreen Hanson who became the coordinator of the WCRAC on January 1, 2005. Doreen reported she is working on learning more about the MAC. One of Doreen’s goals is to increase membership and begin planning events for World Asthma Day.</p> <p>Metro – Chris Krueger reported that 10 members were in attendance at the November meeting. Chris has begun planning for World Asthma Day and is working with the Minnesota Newspaper Association to publish the WAD logo on their web site for their members to download. The Metro region is also working with the Society of Respiratory Therapists to coordinate an event at the Mall Of America on April 30th. In addition Chris has been working with Public Television to play the episode of Arthur that talks about Arthur’s friend having asthma.</p> <p>The Metro region will hold a PACE seminar in June or July and are exploring additional educational opportunities.</p> <p>SERAC – Judy Wothke reported good meeting attendance at their last meeting and will begin offering a conference call option for Februarys meeting. Barbara Yawn secured funding for a media campaign, which they are working with Charter Communication to coordinate. They also received \$500.00 from Olmstead Public Health. Barbara reported the difficulties of holding a professional education event in the SE region due to the wonderful opportunities physicians have within their own hospitals.</p> <p>SCRAC - Erin Simmons reported the SC region held two Family Fun Night events, one in New Ulm and the other in Mankato. The coalition partnered with the COMBAT group in Mankato</p>	
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	<p>to participate in the Resolution Walk on January 8th using the theme Asthma is Not an Excuse. Sibley County Public Health received a \$2000 grant to plan World Asthma Day Activities in partnership with the SCRAC.</p> <p>SWRAC – Amy Roggenbuck reported the participation of the SWRAC in the Marshall School District Health Fair. The SW region presented Asthma Basics to Head Start programs and will be presenting to Day Care Providers as well. Kandiyohi County recently joined the SWRAC; Kandiyohi County is one of four communities to have a Steps grant. Amy will be working on increasing membership for the Marshall coalition.</p> <p>A request was made for a definition of Steps: Janet Keysser informed the SC that Steps refers to the Steps toward a healthier US. Minnesota was one of three states to receive funding from CDC to implement four community grants, which include Rochester, Willmar, Minneapolis and St Paul. The Steps grantees must address six areas: obesity, asthma, diabetes, physical activity, nutrition and smoking.</p> <p>Penny Fena announced funding from Genentech to contract with three Allergists: Dr Lowe, Dr Jacobsen and Dr Oreshia to develop curriculum to train practitioners on IgE. In addition funding was received from Medica Foundation to expand systems change project of American Cities to four sites in Greater Minnesota.</p>	
<p>1:10 PM – 1:20 PM Cheryl Sasse</p>	<p>Sharing Conference update. The Asthma Sharing Conference will take place on Thursday May 12 in St Cloud. Cheryl provided an overview of the agenda; Clay Cowl was suggested as a possible speaker for Occupational Asthma and Wendy Bruener was suggested for the Risk Factors Associated with Asthma Death.</p> <p>See Appendix I for draft agenda.</p>	<p>Cheryl Sasse and Erin Simmons will begin contacting potential speakers this week.</p>
<p>1:20 PM – 1:30 PM Janet Keysser</p>	<p>MDH Update: Janet Keysser welcomed Erica Fishman who is the new Asthma Coordinator at MDH. Janet, Shuba, Wendy and Susan will be attending a meeting for CDC grantees and are hoping to bring back new ideas for the MAC. Susan announced additional School Nurse trainings for the metro area (schedule attached). Susan will also be working on a Coaches Clipboard training.</p> <p>Janet provided an overview of the Middle School Project that included several schools from around the state. Schools participated in a survey to determine the number of students who report having asthma, the number reported by school nurses and the number of Asthma</p>	

	Action plans submitted to the school nurses.	
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM Erin Simmons	Discussion of membership plan: Erin Simmons announced the MAC brochure has been updated and sent to the printer. The new brochure will include a membership application tear off.	Erin will be updating the membership plan and presenting it at the next meeting.
1:40 PM – 1:50 PM Penny Fena	Strategic Planning: Penny Fena announced plans for updating the MAC Strategic Plan. A group will be formed to grid what the MAC, American Cities, MDH and STEPs are doing in the area of asthma. The Strategic Planning process will also look at sustainability.	
1:50 PM Don Uden	By-law review and committee formation: Don Uden requested volunteers to work on updating the By-Laws (Operational Guidelines).	Erica Fishman, Don Uden, Tom Helm, Erin Simmons and Ashok Patel volunteered. Erin Simmons will work with the group to coordinate meeting time.
1:55 Future Meeting Schedule Erin Simmons	March 15, 2005 12:00-2:00pm: It was noted that this is also the date for the next Asthma Educator Course, the meeting will likely occur at the course location: Grand Rios. May 12, 2005 12:00-1:00 September 20, 2005 12:00-2:00pm	
2:00 PM Adjourn- Don Uden	Brittney McFadden provided an overview of Association for Non Smokers. Brittney coordinates two programs: Tobacco Free Youth Rec and Initiative for Smoke Free Apartments. Brittney will begin notifying Regional Coordinators of opportunities within their regions to promote tobacco policies.	

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Asthma Sharing Conference Agenda

Thursday, May 12, 2005

- 7:30 am Registration and Exhibits
- 8:00 am Welcome
- 8:10 am Allergy & Asthma Connection
- 9:00 am The Impact of Socio-Economic Status on Asthma
or
Occupational Asthma
- 9:45 am Break
- 10:15 am** Break out Sessions
- Session A
Is It Asthma; What Should I Call It?
(just treat it, manage it, ramifications of calling asthma- health insurance, life insurance, not too much focus on schools)
- Session B:
Case Management: Identifying individual goals to achieve asthma management
(how to improve compliance/adherence)
- Session C:
Achieving Cultural Competence in Native American Populations
- 11:15 am Sharing Asthma Efforts in Minnesota
An "open-microphone" session for audience to share information. Some people would be "planted" in the audience to get it started

(ie school/coaches project, MDH asthma action plan, patient flow template, Environmental virtual tour, CDC/NIH asthma program, ALA adult asthma program, community program focus)

- 12:00 Lunch / Exhibits/ MAC Annual Mtg
- 1:15 pm An Inter-professional Approach to Asthma Care
- Community Health Educator
Family Practitioner-
Licensed School Nurse-
PharmD
Respiratory Therapist
Social Worker
Specialist
- 2:15 pm Break
- 2:30 pm Risk Factors Associated with Asthma Death
- 3:15 pm Differentiating Asthma from COPD in Adult Patients
- 4:00 pm Closing – Wrap Up - Evaluations