

West Central Region Asthma Coalition

Meeting notes for March 22, 2007

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION	FOLLOW-UP
Welcome and Introductions	Members present: Lisa Adamson, Shelly Svec, Doreen Hanson-Coordinator.	Doreen will start to make telephone reminders of meetings
Events since last meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School nurse meeting – Doreen attended the January school nurse meeting, showed the flip charts and let the school nurses know that they could use them. Also passed out recruitment packets. 2. Caring for Kids with Asthma – Connie gave 2 presentations in Bemidji, March 15th and 16th. They went over well. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shelly Svec is going to check and see if there is an interest a child care provider training in Pope County.
Up Coming Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Caring for Kids with Asthma – Barb Heier will present this program May 7th in Detroit Lakes A meal will be provided through a grant from Medica. 3. Breathe Well, Live Well – Adult asthma Education, April 28th at the Detroit Lakes Library. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Doreen will finish up arrangements for food etc. 2. Vickie Haberman will be presenting the Breathe Well, Live Well program in DL on 4/28/2007. Any member who have the opportunity to help promote this program, please contact Doreen.
WAD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Suggestions for activities include: PSA's to local radio stations, members going on the air at their local radio station to discuss asthma and a newspaper article to local news papers. 2. We will also be hosting a Day Care Provider training in May 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Everyone – Please contact your local radio station and offer them the PSA's (earlier e-mail) to run if they will, free of charge. 2. Everyone – Please contact your local radio station and offer to speak on air about asthma during the month of May 3. Doreen will pass along to members possible news articles to share with local news papers.
Steering Committee member needed	<p><i>"The Steering Committee Purpose: A steering committee consisting of the regional coalition chairs, the officers of the MAC, the immediate MAC past chair, one representative of each member organization, one representative from MDH and one representative of the ALAMN shall meet 4 times per year for the purpose of managing the business of the coalition."</i></p> <p>In the WC region we do not have a chair so we need a member to volunteer to represent us at the steering committee meetings. It would be most beneficial if the same person attended each meeting (by calling in) so that they would be able to keep up with the discussion. We need a volunteer to represent us. We could schedule our regional meeting to be after the steering committee meeting (the next week or so) so that the representative could fill us in on what is happening.</p>	All members-consider volunteering to represent the WC region on the Steering Committee. Contact Doreen if you are interested.

Professional Education	Merck will possibly be sponsoring an asthma education at the Alexandria Clinic in April (pending approval of the speaker). We can partner with the Alexandria Clinic and Merck by helping with promotion.	All members – if you are interested in having a speaker come to your area to talk to local providers, RT’s, nurses and other health care professionals, let Doreen know. It may be possible to set up a lunch time speaker.
Asthma Camp	Both Prime West and Medica will pay for their members to attend asthma camp. All of the counties in our region are covered by either Prime West or Medica. ALA also has limited scholarships for asthma camp.	All members – Promote Asthma camp to children ages 8 to 16, let them know that if they are a member of either Prime West or Medica, their insurance will pay for camp for them. Also they can apply for a scholarship through ALA.
Date and Time for next meeting		Our next meeting will be <i>June 19th</i> <i>from 12 noon to 1 pm</i> in person (at Douglas County Public Health) or via teleconference.