

# Healthy Nashville Leadership Council



August 2, 2017  
Lentz Public Health Center Board Room  
1:00 – 2:30 pm

## Minutes

<u>Attendees</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ted Cornelius	Xyzeidria D. Ensley
Carol Etherington	John Harkey
Elisa Friedman (Vice-Chair)	Arthur Lee
Sandra Moore	Erica Mitchell
Freida Outlaw (Chair)	Adam Will
Janie Parmley	
Bill Paul	
Kristen Zak (Mayor's Office)	
Anita McCaig (EO)	Dinah Gregory
	Laura Hansen (EO)
	Renee Pratt (EO)
	Keith Stephens – Proxy for Mike Hagar (EO)

### Guests Present

Sarah Bounce, MPHD's Health Equity Coordinator  
Francisca Guzmán, Board of Health Vice-Chair

Leah Nakon, Vanderbilt grad student  
Carolyn Young, Nashville Health

### MPHD Staff Present

Amanda Ables  
Tracy Buck

Carol Cowart  
Tom Sharp

### Welcome and Updates

Freida Outlaw called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. After reading the HNLC mission aloud, she asked Carol Etherington to introduce Francisca Guzmán, who will be replacing her on the Healthy Nashville Leadership Council.

Freida then welcomed Francisca and Sarah Bounce, the new Health Equity Coordinator, to the Council.

The Council congratulated Carol as the newly elected Board of Health Chair.

With a quorum, the June 2017 minutes were approved.

### Discussion

#### Workforce Initiative for Women's Heart Alliance

Kristen Zak stated the Mayor has a partnership with the Alliance which is based out of Washington, DC. The Woman's Heart Alliance in Nashville will start with Metro female employees from three groups: Metro Action Commission, Metro Libraries, and Metro Juvenile Courts, as they are heavily staffed with female employees and deal with the public. The Alliance launch is on September 20

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from 11am – 2 pm at First Tennessee Park (the new Sounds Stadium). These employees will be invited to participate in heart healthy fun activities. The end goal is to offer other opportunities for the employees to improve their heart health over time. There will be an attempt to rescreen them at some point in the future to see how successful the project was.

### **Impact of the Prevention and Public Health Fund in TN**

Tom Sharp addressed the Council on the amount of monies that TN has received from the Affordable Care Act (ACA) since 2010 (\$57 million). To date, all ACA repeals have been unsuccessful. If it is repealed, everything funded under the Preventative Health grant would be lost. Senator Alexander wants to strengthen the Act by bolstering the private insurance markets. Currently, the money is still available and can be utilized.

Amanda Ables suggested the council could lean back on the Sycamore Institute, a non-partisan organization that was introduced at the June board meeting.

Carol suggested that all of the TN Wellness County Chairs write a joint letter explaining how the ACA repeal will affect Tennesseans in unexpected ways. Currently, the majority of people are concerned about losing health care coverage. Bill Paul reminded the Council that health is bigger than just medical care.

The group voted and passed a motion that Bill, Frieda, and Carol write an op-ed that explains what could be lost, other than medical coverage.

### **Updates from the CHIP Working Groups**

#### **Active Transportation**

- Amanda gave the update for John Harkey. The group is working on a Pedestrian Death Memorial website, honoring the memory of pedestrian lives lost in Nashville.

#### **Health Equity Work Group**

- Elisa' work group is still fine-tuning the one-page document that explains Health Equity. When completed, it will be used as a pilot which could be a valuable tool to start conversations regarding health equity. In addition, the group discussed creating a pharmacy assessment to determine the lack of coverage for citizens in Tennessee.

#### **Mental & Emotional Health Work Group**

- Freida announced that two new members from Juvenile Justice will join her work group. They plan on meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1 pm to looking at new leadership which would include ACEs. The Mayor has given Angie Thompson, Metro's Behavioral Health Director, an ACE coordinator position; additionally, they are looking for an opioid prevention coordinator by mobilizing resources through not only the Mayor's budget but through the MPHD's.

### **MAPP (Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership) Core Group Update**

- The designated group that will start the MAPP process will consist of Saint Thomas, Vanderbilt, Metro Social Services, Metro Public Health Department, and the three FQHCs (Matthew Walker, University Community Health, and Neighborhood Health,). Amanda believes the MAPP core group will take about a year which begins the first quarter of 2018 and will encompassing 2020-2024.

Our next meeting will be October 4, 2017 at Lentz Public Health Center.