



STATE PERINATAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

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ATTENDEES	
Jonell Allen	Community Health Network
Jan Arnold	March of Dimes
Susan Bonhotal	SW Regional Perinatal Advisory Board
Carla Chance	Indiana Primary Health Care Association
Marcia Cherry	Greater Lafayette Health Services
Lisa Crane	Clarian Health Partners, Methodist Hospital
Susan Dorrell	ISDH
Judith Ganser	ISDH
Connie Guerra	Memorial Hospital of South Bend
Joe Landwehr	Ball Memorial Hospital
Kinga Szucs	IU School of Medicine/Wishard Health Services
April Thayer	Anthem SSB
Laurie Weinzapfel	MDWise
Gayla Winston	Indiana Family Health Council
Michelle Bisesi	Johnson Memorial Hospital
Rebecca Schwartz	
Tina Babbitt	Indiana Perinatal Network
Julie Foster	Indiana Perinatal Network
Barb Himes	Indiana Perinatal Network
Julia Tipton Hogan	Indiana Perinatal Network
Beth McIntire	Center for Prenatal Diagnosis
Sarah Hundagen	Indiana Perinatal Network
Larry Humbert	Indiana Perinatal Network
Tasha Smith-Bonds	ISDH
Michelle Eilerman	
Michele Starkey	
Amber Matteson	March of Dimes

HANDOUTS
IPN Perinatal Mood Disorders brochure order form, Indiana Tobacco Quitline order form, Neonatal Outcomes Improvement Project handouts, Substance Use in Pregnancy Assessment Report handout, March of Dimes Community Grant brochure



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AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
<i>Welcome and Introductions</i>	New director of Medicaid for the state of Indiana—Jeff Wells, MD.
<i>ISDH Update</i> Judy Ganser, MD/Beth Johnson, RN, MSN	<p>Discussed the state comprehensive pregnancy prevention program—finalizing prospects; ISDH is working on a quality improvement project with a committee of managed care organizations and the mental health division. Priorities are to increase access for prenatal care and behavioral health issues.</p> <p>Dr. Monroe is contributing a letter to the Unintended Pregnancy Call To Action.</p> <p>Dr. Landwehr discussed his ‘cohorts’—a way to study similar hospitals to compare infection rates, neonatal mortality rates, etc. The studies are blinded so no one knows which hospital is best/worst.</p> <p>Beth is holding disparity summits around the state in high-risk counties. The next step is to pull together the decision makers in each area.</p> <p>ISDH received a contract to work with Americorps members. Participants will work with a variety of programs, including FIMR, Healthy Start, breastfeeding outreach, and Hispanic programs. This is a 3 year grant.</p>
<i>Substance Use in Pregnancy Assessment Report</i> Terrell Zollinger, DrPH, MSPH	<p>Slides will be available on the IPN website; email questions to Larry or Dr. Zollinger. Dr. Zollinger will be speaking at the April 27 summit in Indianapolis. There is a link on the last slide to view the full report online.</p> <p>Dr. Landwehr discussed pain clinics and the problem of what to do with pregnant substance using women; where can they go, how do they get transportation? It is unsafe to withdraw mothers during pregnancy and there seems to be little good education for patients. Dr. Landwehr emphasized that they are seeing so many withdrawing mothers in the NICU.</p>
<i>Neonatal Outcomes</i>	Beth shared handouts from the Neonatal Outcomes Improvement Project. The report looks at behavioral, social and economic issue; more comprehensive than other reports.



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<p><i>Improvement Project</i> Beth Johnson, RN, MSN</p>	
<p><i>Unintended Pregnancy Call to Action</i> Larry Humbert, MSSW, PgDip</p>	<p>Everyone should have received an email copy or the document is available here: http://www.indianaperinatal.org/files/Calendar%20files/CTA_FINAL_013007.pdf</p> <p>The Call To Action was written over the course of the last year and a half. As the issue became broader, the group wanted to include more than just teen pregnancy issues. A wide range of people, including pediatricians, OB/GYN providers, a Methodist minister, health care staff, etc., were involved in the process. The group tried to stress ‘common ground’ and find a middle of the road approach to a controversial subject.</p> <p>All Advisory Board members were asked to review the document and submit any suggestions or changes to IPN by March 23rd; document is 99% finished and will be available soon. The document makes recommendations in 3 main areas: providers, community members and public policy.</p> <p>The document is meant to be a 10 year call to action, with recommendations to be implemented over the next 10 years. IPN will begin exploring endorsements from some of the professional organizations.</p> <p>A summit on this topic will be held Sept. 12-13 at the Fountains in Carmel; IPN is partnering with ACOG to share a keynote speaker.</p>
<p><i>Legislative Updates</i></p> <p><i>Coalition to Promote Smokefree Pregnancies (CPSP)</i></p>	<p>HB 1457 – goal is to extend the life of the Indiana Birth Defects and Prevention Database by 10 years. The bill has passed through the House and a committee of the Senate. A prenatal substance use commission will be established to develop a comprehensive plan to address substance use during pregnancy, using the recommendations from report completed by Dr. Zollinger along with other relevant information.</p> <p>There is definite support for a cigarette tax increase, and almost all parties agree to devote money raised to health care. However, this issue has a lot to do with party politics and probably won’t be decided until the very last minute.</p> <p>CPSP – fairly new task force, has been meeting for past year. The group was called together by ACOG nationally and includes representatives from ACOG, ISDH, ITPC, Smokefree Indiana, IPN, MOD, ALA, Clarian, the Latino Institute, SWRPB and others. The group wants to promote the Quitline and is working on training people to be</p>



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<p>Jan Arnold, MS</p>	<p>smoking cessation trainers and developing targeted programs to work directly with prenatal providers in the worst areas for smoking. The coalition is a nice way to have a true blending of groups that typically don't work together.</p> <p>April Thayer from Anthem: members who are part of Hoosier Healthwise will be able to get free transportation to smoking cessation classes—they will contract with hospitals to provide this service.</p> <p>Are smoking cessation aids covered by Anthem and others?</p> <p>Discussion about incentive programs offered by insurance-do they work, are there any new ones? Dr. Landwehr—patients often tell him about these kinds of programs, instead of the providers telling him.</p>
<p>Updates – Regional and Programs</p>	<p>Substance Use Summit will be April 27 at the Westin in downtown Indianapolis. Registration brochure available here: http://www.indianaperinatal.org/files/Calendar%20files/Sub_Use_reg.broch.022007.pdf</p> <p><i>Barb Himes, Community Council</i>—group is surveying the hospitals to see what their safe sleep practices are; committee will look at hospital protocols and develop a standard protocol for hospitals, curriculum for the staff, and new training posters for nurses.</p> <p><i>Jonell Allen, Community Health Network</i>—diabetes conference with 2 national speakers on May 17th. There will be tours on Friday morning then a gala at the Speedway; www.ecommunity.com/expertperspectives to register online or contact Jonell for more information</p> <p>The INDCC Conference will be April 22-23 at the Ritz Charles in Carmel. Registration brochure is available here: http://www.indianaperinatal.org/event-detail.aspx?id=1064 or contact IPN for more information.</p> <p><i>Susan Bonhotal, Southwest Regional Perinatal Advisory Board</i>—lost a clinic and a residency program; doing data collection looking at care on a month to month basis. The number of women getting late or no prenatal care is rising. A task force is working on issues such as centering pregnancy. They are also trying to develop a prenatal care</p>



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hotline to have a central place for information.

April Thayer, Anthem—4 of 8 Community Resource Centers are up and running; grand openings will be later in spring. The centers will serve as one stop shops for Hoosier Healthwise clients—help with transportation, health education, benefits, etc.

Lisa Crane, Methodist—The IPEC 17th annual conference will be held April 26th at the Ritz Charles in Carmel. The event will focus on certification for childbirth educators, with 2 more days of workshops following the event for those who wish to become certified. Download the registration brochure here:

<http://www.indianaperinatal.org/event-detail.aspx?id=1071>

Tina Babbitt, IPN—PCEP Update—St. Vincent’s will host a coordinators’ workshop this fall. There will be a PCEP cycle this year but not sure yet which hospitals will be involved.

Susan Dorrell, ISDH—2005 infant mortality reports will be out soon

Jan Arnold—March of Dimes community grant letters of intent are due April 27th. Contact Jan with any questions.

Kinga Szucs, IU/Wishard—the first breastfeeding coalition meeting was held in Sept. There are currently 9 active coalitions across the state. A new breastfeeding curriculum is being piloted in 7 family practice programs across the nation and will be available online this summer. The Indiana Black Breastfeeding Coalition has been newly formed.

The Indiana Milk Bank was featured in Good Housekeeping magazine. The 2nd Milk Depot will open in the beginning of April in Michigan City. The Lactation Station will be at the State Fair again this year and also at Black Expo.

There will be a conference April 27th at Methodist: “Practices That Promote Breastfeeding”. The Ban the Bags concept is a big push right now in hospitals.

NEXT MEETING: May 30th 1:00 – 3:30pm, ISDH, 8th Floor Training Room