Chickasaw County Board of Health March 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes

The Chickasaw County Board of Health met Friday, March 10, 2023, at the Chickasaw County Community Services Building. Toni Friedrich, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Present were members: Joan Knoll by phone, Jeremy McGrath, Dr. Brinkman, Cindy Shoemaker by phone at 10:08 a.m., and Toni Friedrich.

Guests present Lisa Welter, RN, Administrator, Ann Knutson, RN, Assistant Administrator, Anita Eschweiler, BOH Secretary, and Kiane Smith from I-Smile Program.

A motion by Dr. Brinkman, seconded by McGrath to approve the agenda. Ayes: Knoll, McGrath, Dr. Brinkman, and Friedrich. Absent: Shoemaker. Motion carried.

A motion by Knoll, seconded by Dr. Brinkman to approve February 10, 2023, meeting minutes. Ayes: Knoll, McGrath, Dr. Brinkman, and Friedrich. Absent: Shoemaker. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

I-Smile

Kiane Smith is the I-Smile program coordinator for Chickasaw County. Kiane provided handouts with statistics regarding dental services provided in Chickasaw County.

Environmental Health

Lisa updated the board on agency activities for February. Lisa reported 6 time of transfers, one binding agreement, and zero dog bites. Lisa has received many calls regarding water testing. The residents have the option to wait for Penny to return or call Keystone. Lisa informed the board that we are unable to bill the grant as they are having problems at the state with the new software. Lisa reported no new tattoo inspections. There was one complaint of dumping of a refrigerator in a ditch and we continue to sell radon kits.

Home Health

Home Health Update

Lisa Welter gave a monthly home health update. Census 81. Medicare 12. Medicaid 25. Referrals 16. Admissions 12. Discharges 12. Failed Admits 4. Unbillable visits 7. Nurse visits 180. Aide visits 244. Homemaker visits 262.

Business Operations

Monthly Claims

Due to an overpayment of a claim, the amount approved last month for expenditure is incorrect. A motion by Knoll, seconded by Dr. Brinkman to reduce the claims for last month for Public Health by \$1300.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried. The claims for public health were \$26,025.84. The mileage monthly claim total is \$2,585.97. The total claims are \$28,611.81. A motion by McGrath, seconded by Dr. Brinkman to approve the claims as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Lisa will check with Penny about getting a grant for Radon Tests. Lisa informed the board there is Narcan/Opioid money available.

Sliding Fee Scale

Lisa provided an updated Sliding Fee Scale to begin July 1, 2023. A motion by Dr. Brinkman, seconded by Knoll to approve the Sliding Fee Scale to begin July 1, 2023. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Employee Incidental Report Policy

Lisa provided an updated policy to reflect changes to the forms from Auditor's office. A motion by Knoll, seconded by Dr. Brinkman to approve the Employee Incidental Report Policy. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Health

Covid-19 Update

Lisa informed the board that we are still providing Covid-19 vaccines and reported as of May 2023 the Covid-19 Pandemic will come to an end.

Communicable Disease Update

Lisa reported she finished with the TB patient she was following. Lisa reported a Salmonella case in the county.

Grant Update

Anita has not finished the grant billing. Anita will send the grant billing when completed.

Awards-Iowa Environmental Health Association

Lisa informed the board that she applied for Environmental Health Professional of the Year and Penny won. Lisa also applied for Environmental Health Department of the Year. Our agency also won. Lisa Toni and Penny will receive the plaques in Ames during the Iowa Environmental Health Association meeting later this month.

The next Board of Health meeting is April 14, 2023, at 10.00 a.m.

A Motion by Dr. Brinkman, seconded by McGrath to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 a.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Anita Eschweiler, BOH Secretary.

Attested by Lisa Welter, RN,
Chickasaw County Public Health Agency Administrator