

**WNYAIC & WNYAC MEETING MINUTES**

**February 1, 2017**

**Attending Members:** Mary Ellen Messmer, Elaine Watson, Melissa Pless, Dr. Roger Forden, Lynn Matuszewski, Cheryl Melbrod, Renee Nealy, Kaitlyn Griffin, Kathy Santangelo, Leo McGorry, Karen Menza, Karin Szymanski, Gia Dublino, Megan Dotterer, Cathy Gonzalez, Maureen Thiel, Paul Ricciardi

- Welcome and Introductions
- Minutes from the January mtg. were approved by #1 Lynn Matuszewski and #2 by Mary Ellen Messmer with the correction that Dr. Forden was not present at the last meeting.

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up Action	Deadline
<b>Old Business</b>	<p><b><u>Facebook Page Updates:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karin S. noted that TAPI’s website is a free option to use by anyone. Members discussed the usage of our webpage and its purpose. Is the membership using it for a source of information and communication amongst themselves or as a tool to refer other professionals to, or both? Karin S. talked about the possibility of using Facebook alone for our group and membership to the Facebook page would be by invitation only. Others could find our page and but can’t get in. K. Menza was going to go back to Erie county IT and check into them creating a shorter link for our page and keeping that page public. Recommendation was to have a new directed URL with Erie County. A sign-in sheet was sent around to obtain updated emails from members.</li> <li>• <b>Coalition Logo:</b> Discussion and approval of a new coalition logo approved. The new logo with the boxes was decided upon and Karin M. will input family graphics in boxes. The final draft will be approved by a few members prior to final approval.</li> <li>• <b><u>2017 Immunization Conference- 5/18/2017:</u></b> K. Menza noted that the registration 250 Purple books have been received by Bev for distribution at the conference. All speaker slots have been filled and vendor tables will be within the conference room this year. Kathy Sen will be talking about the NYS mumps outbreak and vaccinations and Dr. Candace Robinson will tentatively be talking about the most recent ACIP updates for Adults and Children. Dr. Mahoney will not be moderating the conference in 2017 and potential moderators were discussed. Bev will be asking Paul LaDouceur about his availability. Bev is working on the Save the Date flyer, which will be distributed soon. Cost is \$45 per person and \$850 Vendor’s fee.</li> <li>• <b><u>Materials for parent outreach and education regarding vaccine safety:</u></b> various members discussed ideas on communicating vaccine safety to hesitant parents.</li> </ul>	<p>Karin S. and Karen M.</p> <p>CLOSED</p> <p>Ongoing Karen M.</p>	

<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety">http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety</a> has much information on the safety of childhood and adult vaccines. Parent's magazine features a myth buster/facts type column, but membership said that those formats can be confusing, as sometimes parents will only remember the myth and not the fact. Leo McGorry will look at their company's website for some safety ideas. . One of the most frequently asked question from parents are what should we do before and after the vaccination/s to lessen the side effects. Membership agreed that it would be a nice idea for our organization to create our own document on vaccine safety that could be shared</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Roswell Park HPV update:</b> No update. It was noted that Channel 2 Morning news recently had a news clip on Roswell and their work re: HPV.</li> </ul> <p><b>Every Child by Two- Call to action:</b> is asking us to add our name to Every Child by Two's Vaccine Funding support statement to ensure that legislators reallocate fund when the Affordable Care Act gets repealed. Everyone from the Coalition is asked to participate by going to the Every Child by Two website and add your name.</p> <p><b>CDC Champion Award:</b> nominations are due by February 3, 2017. Coalition had a submission and winner last year, so have no plans to submit for this year. Membership talked about whether we should give out a coalition award to a vaccine champion, but no final determination was made.</p>	<p>Karen M. and Karin S.</p>	
<p><b>NYSDOH Update</b></p>	<p>Renee Nealy noted that registration for the NYSACHO statewide immunization conference is ongoing and the state will pay for 2 people to attend from each county. Dates are 3/28 and 3/29. Everyone is encouraged to register early, as the conference fills fast. January was Cervical Cancer awareness month. HPV rates have increased in NYS according to the state report. Flu continues to be widespread in 29 states and there have been 5 pediatric deaths in the 2016 -2017 season. 3 of those deaths were in NYS. Influenza A (H3N1) is the most prevalent strain.</p>	<p>R. Nealy</p>	
<p><b>Lead Update</b></p>	<p>No report.</p>		
<p><b>County Update</b></p>	<p><b>Erie County:</b> Has 1 more daycare to complete and all AFIX visits will be completed. Clinics are slowing down  <b>Niagara County:</b> No report. Bev on vacation  <b>Wyoming County:</b> No report.  <b>Orleans County:</b> Mary Ellen Messmer introduced Melissa Pless as the new Orleans County Health department nurse that has taken Cheryl Mills place. She and or Mary Ellen will be the WNYPC reps for Orleans county.  <b>Genesee County:</b> Continuing to give vaccine/HIV testing at county jail. Clinics have slowed down. Conducted an outreach immunization clinic at GCC for foreign students. Quarterly IAP</p>	<p>Cheryl/Karen</p> <p>Mary Ellen</p> <p>Elaine</p>	

<p><b>UB Student Health</b></p> <p><b>Independent Nursing Care</b></p> <p><b>Pharmacy Update</b></p> <p><b>Member Resources:</b></p>	<p>report has been submitted.</p> <p>No report.</p> <p>K. Menza noted that Dr. Arnold Monto is speaking on Community/Herd Immunity on February 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM at Farber Hall, on U. B's south campus. Presentation is free and more information can be found at UB's website.</p> <p>C. Gonzalez noted that they remain busy with travel vaccines. Flu vaccinations have slowed down. They are not using the cholera vaccine.</p> <p>No pharmacy rep. No report.</p> <p>Webinars/Conferences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Register for the NYSACHO Statewide Immunization and Consortia Meeting March 28-29 2017</li> <li>• February 15, 2017 @ 12 Noon: Interview with Stanley Plotkin, MD- "Greatest Vaccinology Discoveries of the Last Decade and Future Predictions" –Register at National Foundation for Infectious Diseases</li> <li>• March 1, 2017 @12 Noon: Updates from the February 2017 ACIP meeting. Register at National Foundation for Infectious Diseases</li> </ul> <p>IAC Express January 1285, 1287,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IAC and CDC updated the Ask the Experts web section relating to HPV. Questions and answers were reviewed to align with the most current ACIP recommendations.</li> <li>• Human rabies death in Puerto Rico due to bite of a mongoose. 40% of the mongoose population in Puerto Rico has evidence of exposure to rabies virus.</li> <li>• Documentary Film: Hilleman; A Perilous Quest to Save the World's Children is now available on DVD. The film trailer can be viewed at <a href="http://www.HillemanFilm.com">www.HillemanFilm.com</a>. This can be ordered from the Vaccine Education Center at CHOP for \$12 each, plus shipping.</li> <li>• IAC updated the Diseases and Vaccines web section on <a href="http://www.immunize.org">www.immunize.org</a>. There is a main section and 22 other pages, one for each vaccine-preventable disease. They include links to ACIP recommendations and IAC and federal government resources. They also link to photos and videos.</li> <li>• Voices for Vaccine- posted an HPV podcast in their Vax Talk podcast series. They discuss the myths and facts about the HPV vaccine.</li> <li>• They have redesigned Reliable Sources of Immunization Information: where parents can go to find answers. Many resources were added and links and others ways to obtain vaccine</li> </ul>	<p>Cathy</p>	
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	<p>information were updated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hepatitis B Foundation launches storytelling project: they promote the importance of Hep B vaccine.</li> <li>• Vaccine organizations and individuals responded quickly to Donald Trump's meeting with Robert Kennedy Jr. regarding vaccine safety and commission on autism. Some of those that responded were: Dr. Offit, AAP, American Family of Family Physicians, and Autism Science Foundation.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Manufacturer Updates</b></p>	<p><b>Pfizer:</b> no new updates  <b>MedImmune:</b> absent/no report  <b>Sanofi Pasteur:</b> Pentacel is back in inventory for all accounts. <b>Quadracel™</b> DTaP-IPV Vaccine has been launched and is available to VFC users.  <b>Merck:</b> prefilled syringes for Pneumo-23 are out of stock but vials are available.  <b>GSK:</b> Havrix out of stock for adults. Ample supply of Twinrix is available. Pre-book open for flu portfolio. CDC will do pre-book.</p>	<p>Paul Leo Maureen/ Janet Kathy</p>	
<p><b>Insurance companies</b></p>	<p><b>YourCare Health Plan:</b> busy with HEDIS and quality measurements.  <b>Independent Health:</b> No update  <b>Blue Cross/Blue Shield:</b> absent/no report  <b>United Healthcare-</b> no update</p>		
<p><b>Financial Update:</b></p>	<p>Same as last month- balance of \$5,521.14</p>	<p>Karen</p>	
<p><b><u>Next Meeting</u></b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday, March 1, 2017</b>  <b>*** meetings will continue to be held at YourCare Health Plan but the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held in a different conference room***</b></p>		

Submitted and transcribed by Elaine Watson