

**Frederick County Health Department (FCHD)**  
**Community Cancer Coalition Agenda**  
**Wednesday, January 23, 2019**  
**8:00-9:30am**  
**Frederick County Health Department/Auditorium**

**Attendees:**

Beth Mowrey, FCHD-Cancer Screening Programs	Dr. Barbara Brookmyer, FCHD
Avani Shah, FCHD-Cancer Screening Programs	Roseann Russo, FCHD-Cancer Screening Programs
Miriam Dobson, FCHD Community Health Services	Geoffrey Seidel, National Lab for Cancer Research
Theresa Vetter-Habighorst, JSMCI	Emeka Munonye, Masters Specialty Pharmacy
Janet Harding, Frederick Regional Health System	Heather Kirby, Frederick Regional Health System

**Welcome and Introductions:**

The meeting was called to order by Beth Mowrey and each coalition member introduced themselves.

**Guest Speaker:** Heather Kirby, Vice President of Integrated Care Delivery/Care Coordination  
Frederick Regional Health System (FRHS)

Janet Harding, Director, Cultural Awareness and Inclusion, FRHS

Presented on: "Building Community Momentum to Increase Colorectal Screening in the Black/African American community"

- Heather Kirby and Janet Harding provided information on a newly formed Colorectal Cancer Steering committee and the goals and activities this steering committee has been charged with.
- The main goal of the committee is to screen 200 African American Men for colorectal cancer in Frederick County.
- FRHS system is collaborating with Frederick County Health Department and Frederick Community Action Agency to learn about their resources and to also specifically target people who are not eligible for the Health Department's colorectal cancer screening program.
- The committee is trying to find specific leaders from the African American community to better reach this target population.
- This committee is planning to hand out colorectal cancer home test kits at community events. The home test kit will consist of general information and importance of colorectal screening. Information from the participating provider, and instruction on how to use the kit at home.

## **Cancer Prevention Program/Performance Measure Updates:**

### **Clinical Updates:**

Roseann Russo, Nurse Supervisor - Colorectal, Breast, and Cervical Cancer Screening Programs, FCHD

- Roseann reported on the number of clients that have been served through our cancer screening programs from July 1, 2018 – January 22, 2019
- In the Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP), 218 clients received breast cancer screening services. There were 4 diagnoses of breast cancer. 65 clients received cervical cancer screening with no diagnoses of cervical cancer.
- In the Colorectal Cancer Program (CRC), there were 44 clients screened for colorectal cancer, 22 % of clients were reported to have adenomas which, if not removed during the colonoscopy screening, could have developed into cancer.
- In CRC program, 25 % of our clients were male and 75 % were female. 77% of clients served were from minority group.

### **Outreach and Education:**

Avani Shah, Coordinator of Education and Outreach, Colorectal, Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Programs, FCHD

- Avani reported on the program's education and outreach data from October, 2018 through December, 2018.
- There were 24 education and outreach activities implemented which included going to community events, health fairs, and one-on-one interactions with walk-in clients.
- We continue, on an ongoing basis, to post information about our program on social media. January is Cervical Cancer awareness month. Lori Stockman, Nurse Coordinator at Health Department gave a presentation on Cervical Cancer to the Chi Theta Omega AKA Sorority Chapter in Frederick County on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Approximately 40 people were in attendance.

### **Upcoming events**

- Health and Wellness Fair will be hosted by Boscov's on March 13<sup>th</sup>
- Minority Health Fair will be hosted by Faith Striders on April on April 6<sup>th</sup>
- Cancer Survivor's breakfast will be hosted by Faith Striders on April 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Member/Community Updates:**

Beth

- Beth reported that our BCCP program received a significant funding reduction. Due to this reduction, we are not able to enroll new clients in our BCCP program. We currently don't have enough funding to pay for exams for all of the existing clients in the program.
- Beth reported that Team Hope, a local non-profit organization generously donated \$20,000 to the BCCP program. We have also applied for Susan G. Komen grant and expect to hear whether we will be funded by March, 2019. We are also hopeful to get a funding supplement from the State.

Emeka

- Emeka introduced himself to the coalition. He is the Pharmacist and CEO of Masters Specialty Pharmacy. He is interested in the goals of the coalition. He also informed the group that he would be doing a presentation on Colorectal Cancer at the Frederick Minority Business Group meeting on February 21st. Emeka will also join the FRHS CRC Steering committee.

Geoff

- Stressed on importance of clinical trials. NCI offers all the clinical trials free of charge.
- Trials offers better options to patients.
- NCI has multiple locations so transportation shouldn't be a barrier.

Max

- Colorectal cancer in younger people is increasing. American Cancer Society has lowered their recommended age of CRC screening to start at age 45.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 24, 2019/ 8:00-9:30am /FCHD/Auditorium**