

Building Healthier Communities
Access to Healthcare Momentum Team
April 26, 2010

Meeting called to order at 4:10 p.m. by co-chair Shukri Adam and facilitator Irasema Garcia.

Welcome and Introductions – self-introductions around the room

Present:

Shukri Adam (resident & agency)	Susan Booc
Susan Lovelace	Saima Bahramzi
Barbara Fisher	Bonnie Copland
Jeanette Neeley	Irasema Garcia (facilitator & resident)
Martin Stephen	Valentina Hernandez
Kamal Mulilenburg	Sheila Mitra-Sarkar
Rosa Olascoaga	Yasmin Mohammed
Marcos Olascoaga	Erika Tapia
Alex nunez	Sara Vaz
Paige Newman	
Muna Hadi	

Minutes Review – Steve O’Kane needs to be added to attendance list from 4-12; minutes approved as amended by acclamation

Announcements and Updates

- Sara Vaz is leaving Survivors of Torture as of Friday to work for a private family foundation
- Saima Bahramzi is leaving her job (job completed)

Logic Model Continued

- a. Review Systems Change – Focus on the level of system change (not individual, organization, etc.). Make sure that it is positive, proactive, action, catalytic, balanced.
- b. Develop Strategies – What actions can we take in the next 2-3 years that will move us through the blocks and toward our vision?

Potential actions were discussed first in groups, then as a whole. They were then grouped into categories, and themes chosen.

- A. Create single unifying message that brings together all cultures for City Heights; Change systems to suit community; create ongoing community/agency input meetings – **Theme** – Unified Community Message in City Heights
- B. Community-based one-stop-shop to coordinate access to resources – **Theme** – Wrap-around Services
- C. Advocate immigration reform; advocate at state & federal levels for health reform; humanize eligibility policies in housing, health coverage, social services, employment; Advocate for new housing code to enforce a healthy home – **Theme** – Advocate for Legislative Change

- D. Create interpretive services certificate/schooling with hourly stipend for age 16+; hire from within the community; keep talent in the community – **Theme** – Community-based Healthcare Jobs
- E. Educate regarding the laws – know your rights; know how to claim your rights; increase community knowledge of rights & how to advocate for change – **Theme** – Know and Claim Your Healthcare Rights and Responsibilities
- F. Better access to information; increase use of technology; improve access to alternate technologies for consumers & providers; develop culturally specific cross cultural programs – **Theme** – Increase Culturally Appropriate Access to Information and Technology
- G. Advocate for clarifying policies and policy change; clarify language in health plans – **Theme** – Advocate for Clear Insurance Language
- H. Create a safe environment for interaction; mobile clinics at schools/community centers; urgent care that helps with transportation; urgent care extended hours – **Theme** – Matching Access to Community Needs
- I. Housing code enforcement to improve health and housing; enforce existing laws – **Theme** – Enforce Existing Laws that Support a Healthy Home

Further discussion then consolidated some of the groupings, and new themes were selected.

Combine C & G; B & H; E & I; A & F; D remains alone, with its existing theme

B & H – **Theme**: Meeting Community Needs Through Comprehensive, Wrap-Around Services

E & I – **Theme**: Know and Enforce Existing Laws

C & G – **Theme**: Advocate for Legislative and Insurance Change

A & F – **Theme**: Unified and Linked-In City Heights

Other Business

- a. Next Meeting – May 10

Closing & Adjournment – 6:19