

Health Protection Sub-Committee Treaty 7 Management Corporation, February 29, 2016

Co-Chairs: Subcommittee:

Wadieh Yacoub, FNIHB Gloria Fraser, Treaty 8

Doris Courtorielle, Treaty 8 Cecelia Blackwater, Treaty 7

HCoM: Liaisons:

Darcy Jagodzinsky Nora Alook, Treaty 8

Beverly Swampy Nicole Tailfeathers, Treaty 7

Arleen Thomas, Treaty 6 (YTC)

Regrets: Guests:

Faye North Peigan, Treaty 7 Simon Sihota, FNIHB Bonnie Graham, Treaty 6 (Maskwacis) Ruth Richardson, FNIHB

1. Meeting call to order 9:09 a.m.

2. Invocation Doris Courtorielle

3. Introductions

4. Review of Agenda Sub-Committee

Co-Management Items added

5. Review of Minutes

December 2, 2016

Review of Action Items

- Ruth will speak to communicable disease control items.
- Surveillance: Parminder provided the update on the agenda that the IRS
 application was signed by the grand chiefs and all parties and is moving forward.
- There is a small working group that will look at e-immunization systems in Alberta, they want to bring a small group of front line users to optimize the system. There is preliminary work going on and working with FNIHB, TSAG and the province. AFNIGC is working on developing community profiles and will explore incorporating immunization information such as immunization coverage and include status of First Nations and mobility issues. They are trying to improve quality and information available.
- The Housing Think Tank is to share ideas and consider the issues and priorities for action; the main participants are housing officials from each treaty area.

Action Item: Wadieh to forward the IRS Data access report and to be forwarded to Subcommittee members.

Action Item: Liaisons could seek out the respective First Nations housing officials on the Think Tank from their Treaty areas and forward areas of concern.

2016-02-29-#01 Moved by Gloria Fraser, to accept the minutes for December 2, 2015, seconded by Arleen Thomas, all in favor, motion carried.

6. Communicable Disease Control

Ruth Richardson

In April/June 2016 self-study infection control training modules will be available for janitors of head starts, health centers, and treatment centers. The plan is to have three self study



modules forwarded per community; FNIHB can work with the Health Director and determine what sites and who should be involved.

CDE Funding: At the Co-Management meeting, Jocelyn Andrews stated that FNIHB wanted to streamline the process to access small amounts of funds. The streamlining has been initiated; funds are set to go for April 1, 2016

7. HCoM Update **Darcy Jagodzinsky**

In a joint partnership with AFNIGC, HCoM will be offering training to all HCoM Sub-Committee members. Topics include: Conflict resolution, Negotiations, Project management, Facilitations, Effective Communication, and Using Data to make Informed Decisions. Additionally the Financial Analysis Working Group will be exploring developing financial literacy training. The Financial Analysis working group is currently exploring wage parity issue and will an analysis will be seeking feedback from subcommittees on their plan moving forward. The HCoM Evaluation and Implementation Task Force are working on the development of a strategic plan for HCoM. They are developing a client interest survey. This allows communities to provide direction and vision for the project and HCoM. The Joint Action Plan (JAP) Steering committee process to be discussed at the AOTC. They want to discuss the process and clearly articulate the mandate of those who are sitting at the table and identify what the best model would be for Alberta. The HCoM Orientation manual should be forwarded after the next co-chairs meeting.

Action Item: Darcy to send out more information on the AoTC

10: 40 a.m. 8. Break

9. Environmental Health

Simon Sihota

EHO Public Health Program Review: A draft report is expected by the fall; the goal is to ensure that the program is meeting the needs of all communities. Housing Think Tank: The region is pleased that there is dialogue and engagement and this is a huge issue. Simon has attended a workshop by CMHC and put together top 10 issues. The region is keen to move the agenda forward and brining forward agenda items such as mandatory safety codes and inspections. This is what they have advocated on for many years. **Full report sent out to subcommittee members and reviewed with EHO

Action Item: Simon to forward an updated list of EHO officers.

Action Item: Names to go forward to Dr. Yacoub if they are interested to sit on the FNECP national selection committee. HCoM Coordinator will sit in the first meeting due to the short notice of meeting date and will report back to subcommittee.

Action Item: Simon to send out information to Gloria Fraser regarding installation of dishwashers in buildings.

10. Concordia College

Simon Sihota.

Dr. Sandra Song

Dr. Song is the new Director of Public Health at Concordia College an. There is a 15 new month long certificate program, the program has 3 broad streams, Leadership, Strategic Communications and Vulnerable Populations. There is an interest in working with the different First Nation communities on research projects. The first step for the College is looking at exploring partnerships with First Nation communities to identifying key issues.



Action Item: Course description to be forwarded to HCoM and sent out to the subcommittee and shared on the website.

Action Item: Dr. Wadieh Yacoub to forward email address of Dr. Song. Information on AFNIGC and OCAP to be forwarded to Dr. Song.

11. Provincial Emergency Social Services Framework

Dr. Wadieh Yacoub

The document is still a draft and is in the process of being reviewed, which includes all partners such as different provincial departments. The goal of the framework is to establish a model of what services are needed to be delivered when emergencies. Dr. Yacoub is the Health Canada representative and the lead organization is Alberta Human Services. If the subcommittee has any ideas/recommendations on the document and/or process, please forward to Dr. Yacoub.

12. Maskwacis Community Report

Dr. Wadieh Yacoub for Bonnie Graham

Maskwacis has been offering incident command systems training. The community has seen a surge in animal bites. MRSA has been a challenge for the community but they are working with homecare to support wound treatment. Through partnerships with the school the community is managing the pedialosis (scabies), which is struggle in a community of its size. Maskwacis is the only First Nation in Alberta that has transferred the EHO position.

13. Lunch

12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

14. Regional Surveillance

Dr. Wadieh Yacoub

Document now has signatures on the registry application.

15. E-health Dr. Wadieh Yacoub

Has a small working group on E-immunization mentioned earlier

16. Other business Subcommittee

Action Item: A request will be forwarded to Simon Sihota to respond to Co-Management request on mapping the region and request for information on mold and inspections.

Operational plan: The request for funds to support spay and neuter clinic has gone forward. The region is hoping to see some clinics go to communities in the next year. Nancy Larson did come and make a presentation to the group previously and some communities took advantage of this. At that time Co-Management made the decision to support this work. Last year they were declined for funds but the request was brought forward again.

Fish advisory: Alberta Health has been monitoring the level of mercury in fish across the province and they have updated the advisories. There are 1-2 lakes out of 61 that people have been told to avoid. Information will be sent to each First Nation community. The biggest concern is for women who become pregnant as mercury affects brain development for expecting women. For more information see www.mywildalberta.com



Health Protection Meeting Documents: Subcommittee request that information that is provided for the subcommittee meetings are to be given to them at least one week prior to meetings to have time to review.

Influenza Plan: There is a new Canadian plan for pandemic influenza and on the public health agency website (2016) HCoM to send the link.

17. Date and Time of next meeting

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	Date	Location
	May 16-17, 2016	Calgary, Alberta
	September 15, 2016	Edmonton, Alberta
	December 14, 2016	Red Deer, Alberta
	March 7, 2017	Edmonton, Alberta

18. Meeting Adjourned

1:00 p.m.