

## WINNEBAGO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING 216 SOUTH 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET FOREST CITY, IA 50436

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## **Winnebago County Board of Health Meeting Minutes** November 17, 2023 **Public Health Office** 8:00 a.m.

Dr. Ostercamp called the meeting to order. With the announcement of a Quorum. Members in attendance were Sonja Rank, Dr. Ostercamp, Jaci Miller, and Sandy Mireles. Absent Susan Smith. Also present was Julie Sorenson, Allison Rice, Randee Lindeman, and Krystal Wempen. One additions to the agenda updated information on the Influenza policy.

A motion by Rank second by Mireles to approve the October 20, 2023 minutes, all ayes and motion carried.

Business Operation: Practice fiscal oversight: End of October

Public Health-Nursing &EH

Revenue Department –\$70,310.86 (18.82%)Nurses & Sanitarian

Expenses Department -\$65,188.98 (26.27%) Nurses

Expenses Department-13141.41 (41.55%) Sanitarian

Fund Balance: \$136, 078.84

Julie informed the board billing is up to date, board noted.

Cost Report: Julie reported to the board on the Medicare cost report that was completed on November 8, 2023. This report helps with the sliding scale rates. Current cost for FY23 is the following Skilled Nursing 235.69, HCA/HMKR 79.81, PT-198.41, OT-140.01, and Speech-288.23. With the current cost Julie feels we need to revisit our sliding scale fee our current rate for skilled nursing is 125, HCA/MKR-46, PT-175, and OT & Speech-150. Julie will also review the current policy also. Julie stated that the new federal poverty levels rates come out in January and will try and have the recommendation for the January board meeting depending on when the federal poverty level rates come out otherwise it will be at the February board meeting.

Evaluation: Allison reported on Deyta-61 with no negative comments.

Building update: Sorenson informed the board that there was a construction meeting regarding the time line of with the addition to the building. They are 2 weeks ahead of schedule due to the nice weather. Shingling is done on the addition and the existing building. Windows are installed and spray insulation will be completed at the end of next week. Board noted.

Bad Debt statement: Discussing regarding a bad debt on a client who has passed away. Julie will look into if the client has an open estate and file papers. A motion was made by Mireles to write off the bad debt on a client unless there is an open estate for papers to be filed, second by Smith, all ayes and motion carried.

Influenza policy: Allison reported to the board that our current Influenza policy needs wording correction regarding the influenza vaccines we give. A motion was made by Rank, to change the current influenza policy to correct the wording regarding the types of vaccines we offer, second by Miller all ayes and motion carried.

Home health:

October: Admission-6; Discharges-10; visits: SN-208; HCA-332, current census 76

Mock Survey training: Allison discussed with the board on having Provider Insights come to the agency and run a mock survey and go over our charts to help raise our scores for our Medicare compliance.

Public health:

Food Inspection Report: November 1 report, board noted.

HHS update/meeting attended: Sorenson informed the board that she has not received an information from survey she took earlier, board noted.

CHIP approval: A motion was made by Miller to approve the 2024-2026 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) for North Iowa, second by Rank, all ayes and motion carried.

Environmental Health: Chris Heyer was unable to attend, he will report in January.

Other Business:

Motion by Rank to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 am second by Mireles, motion carried.

Next Board Meeting: Will be held on Friday, January 19, 2024 at 8:00 am.