

**Members Absent:** Elliot Clark, Chair, Interim, Dan Brummitt, Regina Dickens, Sandra Davis, Sharon Long, Michael Tane

**Members Absent:** Lisa Gilbert, Nikki Perry, Marcelle Smith

**Staff Present:** Elliot Clark, Deborah Hendren, King Jones, Mary Pearce

**Guests Present:** Stacy Harward, DHHS

**1. Call to Order**

Elliot called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**2. Approve Minutes and Agenda**

No quorum for approval of January minutes and current agenda.

**3. Regional Health Improvement Plans**

King will send guidelines for Health Improvement Plans to RHC members for review. More extensive reviews will take place at the next RHC meeting (July 2020). Council members are able to direct questions to King and Elliot as needed prior to the next meeting. Concerns were raised and discussed regarding services for documented and undocumented non-English speaking communities.

**4. COVID-19 Cardinal and Community Efforts**

- a. There have been 414 applications for funds from Cardinal's \$1mil COVID 19 relief initiative. Appointments of funds will be spread throughout all 20 counties in the catchment area.
- b. \*\*ASK resource is now live. Calls to this number are routed to Cardinal's 24/7 Access line for immediate assistance with Mental Health needs/crises. 855-587-3463.
- c. An increase in Behavioral/Mental Health needs/needs crises is anticipated during the COVID 19 outbreak. Cardinal is working on coordinating with providers to help enhance Telehealth experiences.
- d. Cardinal, local law enforcement, and Maria Parham Health are coordinating diversion efforts to decrease ER visits for Behavioral/Mental Health.
- e. Discussions around Telehealth: Continued use of Telehealth services, along with innovative solutions for clients with no internet access.
- f. Access to rapid COVID 19 testing is now available in the Five County area.

**5. CAC (Community Advisory Council) Updates**

- a. Vance has appointed CAC council members.
- b. Granville and Franklin are conducting application reviews.

c. Warren will appoint members in May.

**6. Closing Remarks**

The next Northern RHC meeting will take place on July 27, 2020.

**7. Adjournment**

Adjourned at 8:24 p.m.