

Indiana Healthy Homes Alliance Meeting Minutes  
Thursday July 7, 2016  
Improving Kids' Environment  
1915 W. 18th St.  
9-10:30 am

9:00 Introductions

9:05 Admin

- IHHA website
  - Ask the Experts - we figured out how to do it but still need willing experts!
    - Passed around a sign up sheet to become an expert
  - What else needs to be on the site?
    - More FAQs
    - Format the questions in a way they are accessible to everyone
- Speakers' Bureau
- Committee Reports
  - Engagement Committee-Landlord training and survey update, possibly providing incentives for tenants
  - Policy Committee-Karla's June update (bed bug policy, Smoke free Indiana)
  - Roni Ford- Connected with Urban League
    - August 12-Health and All Policy Summit (how policies effect health issues, asthma advocacy, possibly add in lead policy, panelist format, speaker ideas)
  - Joan K- working with CCI to provide a public health perspective on their board
    - Add more people to the IKE board (fundraising, media, finance)
    - Ideas for networking: "Get on Board" event, "Indy Hub", "Urban League-Young Professional" event
- Grants - from whom and about what?
  - Current asthma grant is coming to an end (August 2016)
  - New ideas: Riley Home visits- EMS grant (expires Sept 2016)
  - InJAC is trying to secure more funding for asthma home educational visits
  - Look into Parkview system for data on ER rates, home visits, and school absences
  - Make healthy homes part of training
  - Deb Law-Truency issues reported because of asthma attacks (colder days, waiting for buses, parents feel it's better to keep children home)
  - InJAC- Statewide Asthma Management Plan is up and running, however, there are some disconnects because different electronic medical records use different plans.
    - Include training for parents is critical, many different models exist, we need to find which works best for us
  - WIC grant idea-home evaluation for pregnant women (linking both lead and asthma)

- IHDA partnership
- Goodwill Nurses partnership
- Education on teaching people how to clean properly (without harsh chemicals)
- Tobacco partnership: combine initiatives (bundle messages)

9:45 Education events

- Asthma Forum (Puff Bowl) - September 28, 2016

- Speaker ideas
- Briefly discussed topics, making sure physicians are properly diagnosing asthma, asthma and mental health (psychological component)
- “Half time show”
- Wearing football jerseys
- Football themed snacks

Also discussed: helping out superintendents in schools by making an air quality checklist for schools who do not have air quality coordinators

Healthy school recognitions

Emanuel Charter School is asking IKE to partner with them for the “Fly the Flag” Program related to air quality

- HH Summit - now in June 2017

- Moved to June because it is Healthy Homes Month
- If anyone is interested to join the planning committee contact Joan K

10:10 Asthma Friendly Healthy Home Project Update

- Ismat and AnnMarie (Eskinazi) have put together training dates (July 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>)
- Materials and activities have been prepared for parents and children
- Kits have been bought
- Home visits will be scheduled with Dan Fries (MCPHD) in late July and August

10:20 Member Update

- U.S. Preventive Services Task Force- Joan’s Announcement

- Lead preventive services, however, they do not advocate lead testing
- New BLL might be changed to 4ul/mg soon

- Healthy Homes Training- July 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

- Held at EMI-Contact Joan if interested

- Community Action Programs
- Letter of Memorandum-Passed out template draft
  - Feedback: define 3 hours of time (community service, being a contact person etc.)

**Andrew:**

- Unregulated water, (private wells, ponds, creeks), what testing is being done? Arsenic
- Nitrates
- Lead
- Pesticides
- Coliform bacteria contamination
- Natural disaster/drought

Looking at what we should be expecting for test results

**Kim:**

- Fish Kill due to manure run off
- Lake County- EPA superfund, testing children in Gary
- District trainings for lead have started (Case Management)

**Roni:**

- InJAC Quarterly Meeting Notice
  - July 20<sup>th</sup> 2016
  - Landmark Center Indianapolis
  - 8:30AM-11:30AM

**Margaret:**

- Will be attending California Healthy Homes Conference July 13-15
- LEHA conference-March 2017 Indianapolis (Save the Date Announcement)

**Cathy:**

- Speaking in August-Indiana Housing Conference
- Speaking in Ft. Wayne-HUD
- Training in Sept.-Smoke Free Housing
- Leadership Team for HUD policy

**Dick:**

- Riverside Aquafer (possibility of becoming a superfund site?)
- Vinyl Chloride contamination (downtown to 38<sup>th</sup> street)
- Degradation of dry-cleaning and industrial cleaning products

**Ed:**

- Solid Waste Water Treatment is looking for employees (Contact Vicky)

**Deb Law:**

- Health & Human Services Dept. has been created
- In need of a Deputy Director
- Landlord Training

10:30 Adjourn

Attendees:

Margaret Frericks-IKE

Joan Ketterman-IKE/EMI

Ismat Bhuiyan-IKE

Jack Kinsey-ISDH Asthma

Cathy Blume-ALA

Ed Gerard-INCAA

Deb Law-City Prosecutors office

Kim Rae-ISDH Lead

Dick Vanfrank -IKE

Andrew Pappas-ISDH Water

Roni Ford-INJAC

Anthony Burke -MCPHD

For next month:

- Please make sure to check out the website: [Indianahealthyhomesalliance.org](http://Indianahealthyhomesalliance.org) and come prepared to discuss website