

The New Mexico Diabetes Advisory Council

September 5, 2008

Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions. Rosemary Anslow

Approval of Minutes as reported for the meeting held June 6, 2008.

2. DPCP Update. Judith Gabriele

- Introduced Tempa Tate, the new Health Educator with the DPCP, which is now fully staffed
- Center for Disease Control (CDC) site visit happening this week, three special guests from the CDC observing the NMDAC meeting today, Margaret West, Jackie Houston, and Qaiser Mukhtar.
- This meeting is a special one with its focus on the members of NMDAC giving input on what the NMDAC should be.

3. Board Update. Rosemary Anslow

- Rosemary opened the floor up for announcements.

4. NMDACs status as a 501(c)3: What does this mean for NMDAC and its members?- Charm Lindblad

- Charm explained the significance of the new non-profit 501(c)3 status of the NMDAC
- She covered forming a new non-profit, tax law permits, and mistakes not to make

5. New Mexico Diabetes Advisory Council: An Historical Perspective -Niles McCall

- Niles shared a brief history of the NMDAC, which started in 1986
- Shared current structure and leadership information

6. What could the NMDAC Be? Members weigh in! – Carole Pierce, facilitator

Members were divided into six small groups to discuss three questions related to the future direction of the NMDAC. Groups were facilitated by NMDAC Board and Steering Committee members. Overall process was facilitated by Carol Pierce.

Each group discussed the questions and identified the top three themes that arose from their comments and presented them to the large group.

Question # 1: The current focus of the NMDAC is networking, advocacy and education. What do you believe is the best future direction for the NMDAC beyond this current focus?

Question # 2: Who are the potential partners for collaboration to

achieve this new direction?

Question # 3: Is there anything that you believe the NMDAC should not consider as the new direction? Why?

Full Group Reflection:

After the small group presentations, the large group reflection discussed the themes, offering the following comments:

- NMDAC should not provide direct services.
- NMDAC should continue to creatively network at a local and national level share success stories, and work with diverse partners.
- Do not spread the organization or the leadership too thin.
- Market NMDAC, raising awareness about what NMDAC is and what it does.
- Consider the possibility of moving meetings to different locations around state.

Carole Pierce debriefed what had been said with the group. Rosemary Anslow (assisted by Corazon Halasan and Vonnell Bettencourt of the DPCP) closed the meeting with a rousing distribution of door prizes. The door prizes were a thank you to the members for the work they had done thinking about the future of the NMDAC and an incentive to fill out the meeting evaluation form.

The next NMDAC Meeting will be on December 5, 2008 from 8:00-1 at the Sandia Resort.