

**Clark County Strategic Plan  
Health Care Sub-Committee Meeting  
September 17, 2009**

The Health Care Sub-Committee of the Clark County Strategic Plan met for a regular meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2009 at Baptist Medical Center-Arkadelphia. The following members were present: Greg Stubblefield, Wesley Kluck, James Waymack, Margo Green, Brent Garner, Coak Matthews, Matt Schneider, Mike Carozza, Becky Freeman, Lindsey Huett, Amy Wilson, Leanne Batson and Carrie Roberson.

Greg Stubblefield welcomed the committee to the hospital and introduced Dr. Carozza. Dr. Carozza is the new OB/GYN doctor in Arkadelphia. He will start seeing patients on October 5. He has scheduled an open house for the community in mid-October.

Stubblefield also reported an Ear, Nose and Throat doctor is coming to the hospital once a week to see patients. The ENT doctor can also perform surgeries in Arkadelphia. Also, BMC has a surgeon that comes to the hospital to perform surgeries locally.

Margo Green gave an update on Clark County Charitable Health Services. The program started in August and has already seen a large number of patients. The director, Cindy Jackson, is looking for additional volunteers to assist with the office duties of the service. The medical community and the hospital have been supportive and are making this program a success.

Dr. Kluck reported he and Mr. Stubblefield have met with a representative of Baptist Health Foundation regarding a grant opportunity for Clark County. The grant would fund a 3-year contract to employ someone who would work to implement the goals and actions steps within the health care portion of the CCSP. The grant has been submitted for consideration.

Coak Matthews, swim instructor at HSU, and Matt Schneider, director of Arkadelphia Aquatic Park made the following proposal to the committee:

Henderson State University would like to offer aquatic physical therapy to the residents of Clark County. The HSU pool is currently offering several programs to the public including: fitness swimming, water aerobics and swimming lessons. The pool currently needs equipment like a chair lift or a new pool entry ramp to assist those participants whose physical abilities are limited. Matthews and Schneider have visited with several physical therapists in town who are extremely interested in using the pool for their patients. Patients in need of aquatic PT must travel out of town to receive treatment. At one time, Arkadelphia Human Development Center offered therapeutic aquatic sessions to the public and it was a widely used service within the community. Margo Green made a motion to for this project to seek funding for implementation, James Waymack seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned. Members of the committee were then taken on a tour of BMC-Arkadelphia.

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