

# CITY OF NEW YORK

## MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 10

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# **Health & Human Services Committee**

Monday, January 28, 2013 6:30pm

**Present**: Hazel Dukes, Christina Curry, Donna Gill, Cicely Harris, Jennifer Jones, Cheryl Smith

Board: Henrietta Lyle, Brian Benjamin
Excused: Stephen Watkins, Deborah Yates
Absent: Ibrahima Diafoune, Diane Henderson

# **Community Guests:**

Katherine Nickson, Community Member Dr. Robert Goldberg, Touro College

Christopher Woodley, CB 10 District Manager Andrew Lasalle, CB 10 Asst District Manager

Slyvia Rowlands, NY Foundling Karmia Berry, NY Foundling

Mara Osher, NY Foundling Charlotte Gibson-Bauer, NY Foundling

The January 2013 Health & Human Services Committee meeting opened with an introduction of all attendees, board members and all visitors.

# The New York Foundling

Representatives from The New York Foundling came before the committee requesting assistance with recruiting potential foster parents. The organization was founded in 1869. In 2007 it started its Multi Dimensional Foster Care (MTFC) model that involves a family therapist, referral agency, youth therapist and skills coach. This MTFC program was developed from evidence based research, randomized studies to prove treatment efficacy. The current portfolio consists of 12 evidence-based programs aimed to reduce the 80% failure rate relating to adolescent re-arrest and 92% return to confinement for the 12-19 year old that are referred from ACS.

Dr. Rowlings, a psychiatrist and the current executive director came to the organization 2003 both having previously worked at the Office of children and family services. The CB 10 facility is located at 2090 Adam Clayton Powell Blvd and includes a licensed article 21 Mental Health Clinic. The program services 500 Harlem families with foster care, preventive service, and alternatives to detention.

## Committee Proposal

CB 10 general body meeting will begin to include a 'Workforce development' portion. Chair Lyle has agreed to have the Founding as the featured agency for the general board meetings in February 2013. The committee recommended they visit churches to recruit potential foster parents; churches with a health

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ministry and great outreach such as Abyssinian, First Corinthian. The CB 10 ADM will compile a list of the churches in the CB 10 district. NY Foundling will author a letter addressed to the health ministries.

Additional info can be found online:

http://www.nyfoundling.org/

http://www.youtube.com/user/nyfoundling

## **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS**

Board member Brian Benjamin came before the committee asking to collaborate on a breast screening initiative to honor Women's and Black History Month. The committee discussed hosting mobile mammograms with the new body imaging facilities at Harlem Hospital. It was cited that there is a long waiting lists at HH for mammograms and bureaucracy at HHC has prevented past collaborations. Dr. Dukes noted that she has visited (Dec 2012) and is familiar with the Ralph Lauren Center at Madison Ave & 124<sup>th</sup> St and its affiliation with Memorial Sloan Kettering. The committee agreed to a month long advocacy with one full day of mammograms with initial request for support from Emblem Health, Ralph Lauren and First Corinthian Baptist Church's Health Ministry for breast screenings, mammograms and education. Chair Dukes will contact Sylvia White, Harlem Hospital

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

## **EMBLEM HEALTH CENTER OPENING**

Dr. Hazel Dukes attended the opening on January 24<sup>th</sup> and encouraged the committee and visitors to visit and learn more about the services being offered. (Summary available in the Sept 2012 HHS committee meeting minutes) Dr. Goldberg of Touro College has also visited the office. The center answers general questions and dispenses health information. Health navigators make health referrals to Emblem and non-Emblem members. It also focuses on providing diet management information in addition to classes on asthma, obesity, diabetes and hypertension management.

It was also noted that Emblem has rented space to Manhattan Medical Group, for medical services.

## WHCR, 90.3 FM

Radio station broadcasts from City College, has a 'Healthy Harlem' show every Thursday 7-8pm

## **State of the State**

Dr. Dukes attended the State of the State address in Albany and reported significant cuts can be expected with mental health funding.

## William J Ryan

Has a new "Golden Care Program", flyers will be shared at the general board meeting

# **Community Advisory Board Updates:**

Harlem Hospital, Renaissance and Metropolitan Community Advisory Board representatives were unavailable for updates.

**FEBRUARY** is Black History Month

MARCH is Women's History Month

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\*\*\* NEXT MEETING: TBD (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of February is a Holiday) \*\*\*