

MCHENRY COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS CARE AND TREATMENT BOARD MEETING

March 16, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Rebecca Rockwood, MTASCP, called the meeting to order at 9:07 am. TB Board members present were: Dr. James Mowery; Ellen Mangano, RN; and Rebecca Rockwood, MTASCP. Staff attending were: Patrick McNulty, Administrator; Marylou Ludicky, RN, Communicable Disease Coordinator; and Sue Heger, RN, TB Nurse.

Minutes

Rebecca Rockwood made a motion to approve the TB Board minutes from January 19, 2010; motion was seconded by Dr. James Mowery; motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1) FINANCIAL STATUS

Ms. Marylou Ludicky stated that the disbursements for January and February were running on schedule. It was noted that there was an increase in mileage due to 3 patients being on DOT, but that now has decreased down to one. Dr. James Mowery made a motion to approve the disbursements for the McHenry County Tuberculosis Program; motion was seconded by Rebecca Rockwood.

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

TB Nurse Report for January and February 2010:

Ms. Sue Heger presented the monthly report. In January, 153 clients were tested and 175 clients were tested in February. The Health Department Nursing Division annual TB testing was completed in January.

Doctor Clinic

Doctor's clinic was held in January and February.

Patient Update

The pulmonary TB client was hospitalized for the first 6 days of January, was home for 17 days and then hospitalized again for 6 days in February with health problems not related to TB. The pulmonary client was able to return home and had no further hospitalizations and will finish his TB medication in March

In January, the 3 year old adopted child from Ethiopia had a CT scan and was referred to a pediatric pulmonologist because of a possible congenital cyst that was thought to be TB in Ethiopia. DOT will continue until a definitive diagnosis is obtained. In February, the adopted child from Ethiopia had the bronchogenic cyst removed and probably did not have TB; however she will continue her medication until she completes 6 months by the middle of March.

A suspect case in an Asian immigrant has been placed on all 4 TB drugs due to extensive fibrosis in the lungs and 2 AFB smear positive sputa; cultures are pending.

Activities

The TB program did a risk assessment for the employees of MCDH. Due to those findings only the Nursing Division employees in Annex A and Annex B will be required to complete annual TB skin testing. All newly hired MCDH employees, regardless of which building they work in, will continue to have 2 step TSTs (tuberculin skin tests) upon hire.

Statistics

We were not able to do any WIC presentations in January and February. In February, 14 sputum specimens were collected and analyzed due to several patients with chronic coughs. All have been AFB negative with normal chest x-rays and cultures are pending.

Old Business:

No old business

New Business:

Ms. Sue Heger noted that World TB Day is on March 24. We will contact Debra Quackenbush regarding a press release.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION

Copies of the following information were distributed to the board:

- A) "Haiti Hospital's Fight Against TB Falls to One Man", Urbina, I., New York Times, February 6, 2010
- B) "Tuberculosis, XXDR," Pro-Med Mail post, December 27, 2009

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Rebecca Rockwood made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:25 am, seconded by Dr. James Mowery; motion passed unanimously.

