

**Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, May 10, 2010
Summary**

Attendees: Barb Schweitzer (ND), Leslie Himstedt (AR), Jamey Kendall (KS), Sharmini Rogers (MO), Larry Weatherford (OK), Sharon Vaz (OK), JoAnn Bolick (AR), Jill Shuger (HRSA) Brad Schaefer (AR) and Shona Whitehead (OK)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome and Attendance		
APHL Conference	<p>A poster submitted by members of the Heartland NBS work group entitled "Heartland Good Spot/Bad Spot Project" was awarded first place in the poster session. Congratulations to everyone who worked on the project. A PDF of the poster is attached.</p>	
Transfer to Arkansas	<p>Dr Schaefer provided an overview of the status of the transfer to Arkansas. The renewal submission was completed by Oklahoma and is now waiting for the approval and issuance of the Notice of Grant Award (NGA) from HRSA. Then HRSA will complete and finalize transfer to Arkansas; however there is no official date set for the transfer. Oklahoma is keeping Dr Schaefer in the loop on activities. Dr Schaefer expressed that he has no intentions to make waves by making major programmatic changes in this next project year (which begins June 1, 2010). Jill Shuger commented that the application for supplemental funding (for a multi-disciplinary hearing clinic in South Dakota) that was previously submitted was denied, but will be accepted and funded once the transfer to Arkansas is complete.</p> <p>Dr Schaefer acknowledged that the transfer is a trying experience for everyone, but he wants the Collaborative to not lose momentum and continue doing great work. He is concerned there are some prevailing feelings of frustration among the Advisory Board members, so he announced that he is available for one-on-one calls with any Advisory Board members to discuss any issues. He will be sending a letter to all the Advisory Board members describing the state of the collaborative and the future direction. He also suggested an open discussion session at the Annual Meeting to air any concerns about the transfer and future of the Collaborative.</p> <p>Dr Schaefer made it clear that he wants to stay in touch and aware of all ongoing and future projects of the Collaborative.</p>	
Transition Project	<p>Mary Ann Coffman provided an update on the transition project (see attached summary). The highlights were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop and active work group focused only on transition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Work Group will have monthly conference calls • To develop a work plan and for the work group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Global issues of transition ◦ Medical transition for PKU • To hold a region-wide meeting on transition in June 2011 	<p>If you or someone else are interested in serving on the Transition Work Group email Mary Ann Coffman at mcoffman5@cox.net.</p>

Heartland Genetics and Newborn Screening Collaborative

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Nursing Education Project	<p>Mary Ann Coffman also updated everyone on the Nursing Education Project. Sandy Daack-Hirsch (IA) is providing consultation services to Nursing Schools within the Heartland region that need to include more genetics and genomics in their curriculum as they renew the school's accreditation. Letters and applications were sent to 14 schools. Three applied and were accepted to receive Sandy's services. The three schools are Creighton (NE), University of North Dakota and Briarcliff (IA).</p> <p>This consultation service will be continued into the next project year and Sandy will be working with Mary Riske, Sue Tinley and Carol Enderlin.</p>	
Annual Meeting	<p>The annual meeting will be in Des Moines, IA on September 22-24, 2010. The planning committee will meet this week. If you have suggestions for topics or speakers, please email Shona Whitehead (shona-whitehead@ouhsc.edu).</p> <p>Based on information provided by Kim Piper, several hotels are under consideration as the meeting location. More details will be provided over the next months.</p>	MARK YOU CALENDAR! September 22-24, 2010 Des Moines, IA
Next meeting		Monday, June 14, 2010 at 9:45 am

Attachments: Heartland Good Spot/Bad Spot Project poster
 Transition Project Summary