

**Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 13, 2011**

Meeting Summary

Members: JoAnn Bolick (AR), Leslie Himstedt (AR), Jackie Whitfield (AR), Joni Bosch (IA), Jamey Kendall (KS) Jakica Tancabelic (KS), Dawn Peck (MO) Barb Schweitzer (ND), Julie Luedtke (NE), Lucy Fossen (SD) **Guests:** Patricia Scott (AR) **HRCC:** Brad Schaefer, Klaas Wierenga, Lori Williamson, Mary Ann Coffman and Shona Whitehead

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome and introductions	<p>New Advisory Board members: Dawn Peck (MO)—has been a genetic counselor for 11 years working in NBS follow-up and serves on the MO Genetics Advisory Council Joni Bosch (IA)—works as a family nurse practitioner; previously worked in developmental disabilities (18 years) Jakica Tancabelic (KS)—pediatric hematologist in Kansas City</p> <p>Stan Berberich (IA)—Not available for call Jeff Hoffman (NE)—Not available for call Judy Kellogg (OK)—Not available for call</p> <p>Guest: Dr Patricia Scott (AR)—is the new NBS supervisor at the Arkansas Dept. of Health</p>	
Reports from National Work Group Liaisons	<p>The HRCC is in the process of developing a formal reporting structure for all Heartland liaisons and project consultants. To date, the NCC has been responsible for updating the regions on the work of the national work groups, but the system has not worked well.</p> <p>Verbal update for the Medical Home work group was provided by Brad Schaefer.</p> <p>See attached for written reports submitted in advance of meeting. These reports and the remaining reports will be included in the printed materials at the Bismarck meeting.</p>	
Project Updates from Heartland Consultants	<p>The HRCC wishes to offer its continuing thanks for all the work done by the project consultants.</p> <p>Ann Chou and Barb Jackson will provide updates at the Bismarck meeting.</p>	

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Strategic Planning update	The online survey for strategic planning feedback will be open until Friday, July 22 th and it is key for all Advisory Board members to provide feedback, as the survey results will be used to inform the strategic planning session in Bismarck. www.surveymonkey.com/s/HeartlandStrategicPlanning	Complete survey
Heartland Annual Meeting update	Planning committee has worked hard to develop an agenda that highlights genetics in North Dakota and also includes topics relevant to the region. The agenda will be sent to the Advisory Board for feedback. Everyone planning to attend is encouraged to register online and travel for Advisory Board members will be funded by the HRCC.	Review agenda
State Legislative updates	Nebraska has completed the Board of Health requirements for genetic counselor licensure. The next step is to find a legislator to introduce the bill in the next legislative session.	
Other	<p>Updates from HRSA: Jill Shuger notified the HRCC that Michele Puryear has moved to the NIH Office of Rare Diseases, and Sara Copeland is now acting Genetic Services Branch Chief. It is not known, at this time, how or when the position will be filled. Jill will remain the collaboratives' project officer but will not be able to attend the meeting in Bismarck due to cost of travel.</p> <p>Update from the HRCC: Mary Ann Coffman has elected to step down as a project coordinator for Heartland. She feels that she has accomplished what she was originally hired to do. She will however continue to be available for occasional consultation.</p> <p>Lori Williamson has also conducted anonymous interviews with the State Genetics Coordinators, at Brad Schaefer's request, to provide feedback on the collaborative and its work. Overall the feedback was positive. If others from the Advisory Board have comments to share, they can contact Lori and she will provide the anonymous feedback to Drs Wierenga and Schaefer.</p>	
Next Meetings	Heartland Annual Meeting—August 24-26, 2011—Bismarck, ND September 14, 2011—2:00 pm	