

**Central MN OSUG**  
Quarterly Meeting  
June 16, 2008

The meeting was held from 9 am to noon at the MDH/Central District Offices in St Cloud.

Participants: Inez Baker-Westbrook (Chisago); Carol Heuberger and Michelle Hunt (Crow Wing); Katie Halder (Douglas); Mary Nesseth, Nadine Myers, Lora Loch, Karmen Christenson, Jan Bjore, Jenna Hadley (Wright). Also present were Karen Monsen (Univ of MN, Sue Strohschein (MDH), and Rebecca Bedore (Champ Software).

Agenda Revision

Wright requested delaying their discussion of developing a lead assessment pathway to a later date.

Updates from Karen

1. Karen reported she has several grant applications either submitted or in the works focusing on such issues as mining data generated by the Omaha System, and looking at Omaha System psychometrics. In addition, with Linda Olson Keller and Madeleine Kerr at the U's SON and Derryl Block at UW-Green Bay's SON, investigating population health indicators that reflect the work of local public health (and vice versa).
2. Karen reminded everyone about the July 30<sup>th</sup> statewide Omaha System Users' event in Forest Lake. Click here to access the brochure.  
<http://omahasystemmn.org/documents/July30Event.pdf>

Pathways for Family Home Visiting Grant

At Crow Wing's request the group cross-walked already developed pathways with the initial outcomes list from the FHV logic model on MDH's website.  
[www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch/fhv/advisory/eowg/evalwglogicmodel.pdf](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch/fhv/advisory/eowg/evalwglogicmodel.pdf)

The group also reviewed the summaries of the Delphi surveys conducted by the FHV project's evaluation work group.  
[See [www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch/fhv/advisory/index.html](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch/fhv/advisory/index.html) ]

The group concluded that the Omaha System data from nursing documentation could demonstrate outcomes for mental health during pregnancy, pregnancy, infant growth and development, preventing abuse and neglect, promoting positive parenting, promoting resiliency in children, promoting economic self-sufficiency.

Sue was encouraged to share this conclusion with the FHV team member serving on the evaluation work group (since none of the work group members are from the Central District).

#### Pathway for Adolescent Sexuality and Family Planning Counseling

Wright has two PHNs assigned to a program carried out with a sub-set of school districts in the county. The PHNs are “co-located” meaning they are on-site at the schools during set hours to provide family planning information, sexuality counseling, and pregnancy testing. They requested development of a pathway specific to their circumstances. The service is funded through several grants, and reporting requirements are challenging.

After discussion, a pathway using the Health Care Supervision problem was designed by the group. A draft is attached for the group’s consideration. Karen reminded the group to negotiate with grantors for reasonable reporting (that is, data that you’re already collecting) whenever possible.

#### Analysis of First-Run Data Report for Douglas County

Katie Halder shared data results for viewing by the group. [Note: These data were viewed via computer projection but not distributed.] Changes in KBS ratings for several problems were considered. Karen walked through the report with the group pointing out what conclusion could be drawn from the data, what conclusions could not be made (and why), and provided recommendations for report improvement. Douglas County PHNs have demonstrated that they are positively influencing many serious client health problems!

The next meeting of the group was set for Monday, October 13 again from 9 am to noon in the large meeting room of the MDH/Central District Offices in St Cloud.

Submitted by Sue Strohschein; with thanks to Rebecca Bedore for assistance