

**DIAPERING RESOURCE
COMMITTEE MINUTES
October 6th, 2022
11:30 AM**

The Diapering Resource Committee held a public meeting on October 6th, 2022, beginning at 11:30 A.M. at the following locations:

Teleconference:

Call in: 1-775-321-6111

Access Code: 716169410#

Video Link:

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Kim Amato - Chair, Founder, Baby's Bounty

Jessica Roew - Health Program Manager 2, Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division, Nevada Early Intervention Services

Blanca Ayala - Clinic Operations Coordinator, Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)

Kendall Lyons, MPH - Director of Health Policy, Children's Advocacy Alliance (CAA)

Maria Teresa Johnson, RN - Nursing Supervisory/Manager, Southern Nevada Health District, Nurse-Family Partnership

Kelly Maxwell - Executive Director, Baby's Bounty

Ann McIntyre - Chief Executive Officer, Partnerships for America

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Philip Vander Klay - National Diaper Bank Network

Colette Moore, RN - Retired University Medical Center (UMC) Director

Lisa Boneck - Program Director, The Children's Cabinet

DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (DPBH) STAFF PRESENT

Tami Conn, MPH, Section Manager, Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Section, DPBH

Desiree Wenzel, Office Manager, MCAH, DPBH

Tierra Sears, Admin Assistant II, MCAH, DPBH

Elli Komito, MPH, Health Program Specialist I, MCAH, DPBH

Rhonda Buckley, Admin Assistant II, MCAH, CFCW, DPBH

Stephanie Camacho, Admin Assistant IV, MCAH, CFCW, DPBH

OTHERS PRESENT

Brooke Yarborough, Social Services Program Specialist II, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services

1. Call to Order at 9:00 A.M. Roll Call and Introductions – Kim Amato, Chair

Called the October 6, 2022, meeting to order at 9:00am. Roll call was taken, and it was determined a quorum of the Diapering Resource Committee was present.

2. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Approval of draft minutes from the Diapering Resources Committee (DRC) meeting on November 4, 2021 – Kim Amato, Chair**

CHAIR KIM AMATO ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 4, 2021, MEETING MINUTES. KELLY MAXWELL AND JESSICA ROEW SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITHOUT PUBLIC COMMENT.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public comment

3. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Approval of draft minutes from the Diapering Resources Committee (DRC) meeting on June 23, 2022 – Kim Amato, Chair**

CHAIR KIM AMATO ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JUNE 23, 2022, MEETING MINUTES. JESSICA ROEW MOTIONED TO APPROVE, KELLY MAXWELL SECONDED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

4. **INFORMATIONAL: Update on funding opportunities through Temporary Assistance for Needy Families – Brooke Yarborough, Social Services Program Specialist II, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services.**

Brook Yarborough presented that the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services is in the process of working on a diapering program funded by Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and is in the beginning stages. Ms. Yarborough asked for anyone to reach out by email if they are aware of any agencies or non-profits that would be interested in the program. Ms. Yarborough will also provide official notification when it will be available.

Kim Amato asked if it is open to anyone who is offering diapering supplies?

Ms. Yarborough stated it is going to be open to nonprofit agencies through the competitive bid process. There will be an application process, and all of those applications will then be reviewed, and the agencies will be selected based on criteria and will be posted online.

Kim Amato asked about the time frame.

Ms. Yarborough stated there is no time frame currently. The email will be provided for that information in the future. Ms. Yarborough stated there will be a mandatory webinar, and only agencies that participate in the webinar will be allowed to pursue the application process.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tami Conn asked if a representative from the Diaper Resource Committee (DRC) will serve on

the evaluation committee for this Request for Applications.

Ms. Yarborough stated yes, that is our intent; we are going to be putting together a committee to review the applications. We have to be cognizant of any conflict of interest, and make sure that we are following the guidelines that are set forth.

Ms. Conn asked if committee members should put forth their interest if they know there will not be a conflict of interest, or will your program reach out when it is needed.

Ms. Yarborough stated as soon as announcement is made, and a plan is ready, we will be reaching out to all agencies who express any interest.

5. INFORMATIONAL: Update on the Diapering Resources Committee Report to the Legislative Counsel Bureau – Tami Conn, MPH, Section Manager, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health, Division of Public and Behavioral Health

Ms. Conn displayed the DRC report that was submitted September 30, 2022. The report should contain research that was done by the committee and any action taken in response to those results, and then recommendations to the legislature. Ms. Conn requested the members to send her research they do throughout the year for next year's report. She displayed Nevada-specific data in this report. Ms. Conn stated that we will share the report with the committee members after the call.

Chai Amato stated she did notice the 211 calls did not fluctuate over the years.

Ms. Conn stated Nevada 211 did not have calling data on diapers before 2020. Ms. Conn stated we can work with 211 to narrow this down and make sure follow ups are being done, that the information on where to get diapers is being given. Ms. Conn stated that we could have Nevada 211 staff attend a future DRC meeting and provide training for how to handle calls requesting diapers.

Chair Amato stated she agrees with the idea on finding out what they advise callers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

6. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion and possible recommendations on Nevada Community Action Association (NCAA) Federal Grant Partnership – Kelly Maxwell, Baby's Bounty

Kelly Maxwell stated that the NCAA is the Nevada Community Action Association. This is a grant we have been working on and it is a pilot program of federal grant money for diaper banks. Ms. Maxwell mentioned there was a tremendous amount of competition, there were eight (8) organizations awarded and about sixty (60) diaper banks that wrote grants. Ms. Maxwell mentioned they were not selected; they wrote a half million dollar grant for expansion to Reno.

Ms. Maxwell mentioned it had to be done in partnership with committee action associations. The feedback received stated the biggest issue was a lack of wrap around services in addition to the diaper bank. Ms. Maxwell stated we are still planning on a Reno expansion just not with those funds.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

7. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion and possible recommendations on Baby’s Bounty Mobile Diaper Bank – Kelly Maxwell, Baby’s Bounty

Ms. Maxwell stated, Baby’s Bounty received their mobile diaper bank, and it is ready and loaded with diapers. Ms. Maxwell stated on November 2nd there will be a launch party. They are going to run micro banks in rural areas of Clark County. Static diaper banks are twice a month and serve around 600 families. These micro banks will be hosted right out of the mobile bank in areas like Moapa, Pahrump, Sand Valley, and Laughlin where transportation is a barrier to services. Ms. Maxwell mentioned these will be smaller banks, helping up to 100 families, two to three times a week.

Chair Amato asked how is the word going to be spread?

Ms. Maxwell stated it will be spread using their database of over 40,000 diaper bank clients through direct email, social media channels, and through an app that lets the community know when and where they will be.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Conn stated MCAH is available to push out information, if needed.

Ms. Maxwell stated she will provide the information. Ms. Maxwell stated, next month they are celebrating having distributed over two (2) million diapers, to over 7,000 people.

Chair Amato added that was during the pandemic, as well, which is extra exciting.

8. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion and possible recommendations on Diapering Resources Committee funding opportunities activities – Kim Amato, Chair

Chair Amato stated this has been touched on when Ms. Yarborough made her announcement earlier in the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

9. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Make recommendations for future agenda items – Kim Amato,

Chair

Chair Amato asked if there are any proposals for future agenda items and announced that she is resigning as Chair. Chair Amato asked if there is a process for appointing a new chair.

Ms. Conn stated that the Director of Health and Human Services appoints the committee. We can accept recommendations and applicants for the Chair. We will submit all applicants to the Director for appointment Chair. If members want to put forth an application for Chair or nominate someone for Chair, please contact Ms. Conn, Elli Komito or Desiree Wenzel and send your resume.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

10. Public Comment

Chair Amato reminded everyone the next meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2022.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:55am

Next meeting date: December 15, 2022, 9:00am