

## Health Director's Report

October, 2014

### Staff

- After we were unable to recruit a qualified Public Health Nurse III we decided to downgrade the position to a PHN I and provide on-the-job training to eventually get the person to qualify for the III level.
- Interviews for the Finance Director position are the 14<sup>th</sup>. I'll have an update at the meeting.

### BOH Priorities

- The "Child Village Project" aka the Child Poverty Project, now has an official name. The winner? Family Success Alliance (yep, that's the name we tentatively selected 6 months ago, but needed to test it more).
- The RFPs for the Family Success Alliance zones was released last week. FSA staff is working with community leaders and non-profits in each zone to help them schedule community listening sessions answer questions about zone-specific data and provide assistance with completing the applications.
- The Family Success Alliance Advisory Council (of which Bernadette and Liska are members) will be reviewing applications in November, hearing presentations in December and selecting the two zones by mid-December. One of the Council members described the FSA staff's work on this project as "superhuman" and I concur!
- Carrboro Police Department is now carrying naloxone. We hope other police departments will follow quickly.
- The Health Department was well represented at Project Homeless Connect again this year. We had health educators, nurses and other volunteers there to assist. We also saw 17 patients who received 114 procedures at no cost in our dental clinic.

### Various

- Health Department staff had their annual staff appreciation picnic. Part of that event involved me getting hit in the face with a whipped cream pie. The deal was that if we had a greater than 95% response rate on our staff satisfaction survey (aka "culture survey"), I would take a pie to the face. In fact we were close to 98%, so I took that pie with a big smile on my face.
- The State now has had about a dozen EV-D68 cases (none in Orange County), but no clusters.
- I sent out a separate update on Ebola and will give an update at the meeting.
- Work has really heated up on the centralized permitting software selection. The team is reviewing the applications submitted and working on "proof of concept" exercises to ensure the system selected can actually do what is claimed. Kudos to Alan and his staff for their tireless work on this project.