

Nursing Monthly Report for April 2015
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BCMh

Continue working to get patient status updates and billing done. We have received some payments recently. Nursing staff working with BCMh will be attending education update programs this summer.

School Contracts

Trish will be meeting with superintendents and principals of presently contracted schools to get things lined up for next year. Chris Diebler RN may be taking the summer off from the health dept., but return in the fall for Crestline schools. Kara Kimerline RN will be working part time at the health dept. through the summer.

Education

Theresa and Kara attended the Dream Child Conference and the ODH Regional School Nurse Conference this month. Info was shared with Chris and resources brought back for the health dept. and schools served.

Nursing Staff Meetings

The first all nurse staff meeting was held 4-16-2015. Trish and Kara lead the meeting. Summer planning schedule request sheets were handed out. All discussed work needing done such as policies/protocols/step-by-step guides. Trish will be assigning necessary public health trainings through OhioTrain and have nursing work on after school is out. Nursing was reminded of license renewal by August 1 and to keep an electronic folder of the nursing CNE's obtained for the health dept. (part of accreditation process). We will schedule next meeting after the new DON starts.

Immunizations

Nursing has been reviewing a checklist and protocol for vaccine clinics that Olivia Roston created to help improve flow and decrease errors. We hope to have a mock clinic competency after all ideas are reviewed and put in place. Still in discussion is when to have clinics-continue with the Monday monthly schedule? Also, whether to have open clinic vs. an appointment schedule where insurance, demographic info, and staffing needs could be pre-determined. As the vaccine coordinator, Theresa is working with new inventory/expiration process that Trish put in place.

Communicable Disease

There were 13 reportable communicable disease cases for April. 2 Hepatitis C, 7 Chlamydia cases, 1 Strep Pneumoniae, 1 Hospitalized Influenza, 1 Gonococcal infection, and 1 HIV (new resident/not new case). Letters from the GCHD and ODH Disease Fact sheets are being mailed to all clients after follow up phone calls re: diagnosis and treatment are completed. Continue with Galion Community Hospital Lab issue of not entering addresses and time consuming search for actual residency. At least 14 cases came to Galion City ODRS queue that required transferred jurisdiction, but required time to find out residency from AVITA infection preventionist. Kara will attempt to make an appointment with Galion Community Hospital lab director to see if we can fix this issue when time available.