

D. Budget Amendments/Transfers

Ms. Christy Bradsher presented Rev. No. 1 for the 2008-09FY as follows for board approval:

ACCOUNT CODE	DESCRIPTION	TRIAL BALANCE	STATE BUDGET	COUNTY BUDGET
REV. NO.	1		DEPT. NAME:	Health
STATE BUDGET:	General		TRANSFER:	
			AMENDMENT:	X
Expenditures:				
110-5110-636	MIMR Grant	45,833.00	45,833.00	45,833.00
Revenue:				
110-3511-336	MIMR Grant	45,833.00	45,833.00	45,833.00
Explanation:	Continuation of funding for the Minority Infant Mortality Reduction program.			

A motion was made by Commissioner Lashley to approve the Budget Revision No. 1. The motion was seconded by Dr. Courtney and approved unanimously by the board.

E. Approval of revised Dental Clinic Fees

Ms. Christy Bradsher presented the proposed Dental Clinic Fees effective July 1, 2008 as follows for board approval:

ALAMANCE COUNTY CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

ADA Code	DESCRIPTION	MEDICAID RATE EFF. 2008	Medicaid Rate EFF. 2008	100% Fee 2007	Proposed 100% Fee 2008
D0120	Recall Exam		\$27.01	\$39.00	\$40.00
D0140	Limited Exam		\$35.77	\$48.00	\$49.00
D0150	Comprehensive Exam		\$45.00	\$60.00	\$62.00
D0210	Complete Series Xrays		\$75.19	\$82.00	\$84.00
D0220	Periapical xray		\$14.60	\$24.00	\$25.00
D0230	Periapical xray-two or more		\$11.68	\$24.00	\$25.00
D0240	Occlusal Film	\$15.19	\$14.60	\$19.00	\$20.00
D0270	Bitewing Single Film	\$10.78	\$8.20	\$11.00	\$12.00

D0272	Bitewing Two Film		\$17.52	\$29.00	\$30.00
D0274	Bitewing Four Film		\$31.39	\$37.00	\$38.00
D0330	Panoramic Film		\$57.67	\$95.00	\$96.00
D0470	Diagnostic Cast	\$40.80	\$31.46	\$52.00	\$54.00
D1110	Prophylaxis-Adult	\$35.35	\$30.00	\$70.00	\$72.00
D1120	Prophylaxis-Child	\$25.50	\$21.62	\$46.00	\$47.00
D1203	Topical Fluoride-Child		\$15.44	\$24.00	\$25.00
D1204	Fluoride w/o Prophy-Adult		\$15.44	\$24.00	\$25.00
D1206	Topical Fluoride-High Risk		\$15.44	\$24.00	\$25.00
D1351	Sealant per tooth		\$29.93	\$41.00	\$42.00
D2140	Amalgam-1 surf.		\$62.78	\$75.00	\$77.00
D2150	Amalgam-2 surf.		\$79.41	\$104.00	\$107.00
D2160	Amalgam-3 surf.		\$91.25	\$132.00	\$136.00
D2161	Amalgam 4+ surf.	\$100.10	\$97.20	\$148.00	\$152.00
D2330	Resin 1 surf anterior		\$62.78	\$88.00	\$91.00
D2331	Resin 2 surf. Anterior		\$77.38	\$107.00	\$110.00
D2332	Resin 3 surf. Anterior		\$91.25	\$131.00	\$135.00
D2335	Resin 4+surf.		\$116.07	\$124.00	\$128.00
D2390	Resin Composite Ant.Crn.	\$163.35	\$123.82	\$136.00	\$170.00
D2391	Resin Composite 1 Surf.		\$77.38	\$116.00	\$119.00
D2392	Resin Composite 2 Surf.		\$116.07	\$124.00	\$127.00
D2393	Resin Composite 3 Surf.		\$149.70	\$191.00	\$196.00
D2394	Resin Composite 4 Surf.		\$183.10	\$196.00	\$202.00
D2920	Recement Crown		\$15.40	\$37.00	\$38.00
D2930	Prefab SS Crown Prim.		\$144.25	\$163.00	\$168.00
D2931	Prefab SS Crown Perm.	\$150.00	\$146.25	\$223.00	\$230.00
D2940	Sedative Filling	\$41.65	\$31.98	\$41.00	\$45.00
D2950	Core Buildup Inc. Pins	\$102.90	\$78.31	\$83.00	\$106.00
D2951	Pin Retention Per Tooth	\$24.99	\$20.50	\$26.00	\$27.00
D2970	Temporary (Fracture)	\$132.79	\$126.91	\$134.00	\$139.00
D3220	Therapeutic Pulpotomy		\$78.11	\$84.00	\$87.00
D3310	Anterior Root Canal	\$269.50	\$204.18	\$243.00	\$278.00
D3320	Bicuspid Root Canal	\$318.50	\$259.57	\$318.00	\$329.00
D3330	Molar Root Canal	\$389.55	\$330.36	\$520.00	\$535.00
D4341	Periodontal Scaling	\$95.55	\$78.11	\$84.00	\$99.00
D4355	Full Mouth Debridement	\$70.56	\$60.00	\$73.00	\$75.00
D4910	Periodontal Maint.	\$51.94	\$48.50	\$55.00	\$57.00
D7140	Single Tooth Extraction	\$60.50	\$51.10	\$73.00	\$75.00
D7210	Surgical Extraction Erupted	\$104.00	\$78.72	\$85.00	\$110.00
D7270	Tooth Reimplantation	\$200.90	\$187.50	\$204.00	\$210.00
D7286	Biopsy of Oral Tissue	\$113.30	\$55.40	\$62.00	\$117.00
D9110	Emerg. Pallative Tx.	\$44.59	\$34.85	\$52.00	\$54.00
D1510	Space Maintainer-Fixed Unilateral		\$200.00	\$216.00	\$223.00
D1515	Space Maintainer-Fixed Bilateral		\$280.00	\$298.00	\$307.00
D2790	Full Gold Crown		N/A	\$800.00	\$824.00
D2750	PFM Crown		N/A	\$800.00	\$824.00
D5211	Upper Acrylic Partial	\$454.23	\$344.66	\$350.00	\$469.00
D5212	Lower Acrylic Partial	\$454.23	\$344.66	\$350.00	\$469.00
D9230	Nitrous Oxide		\$45.00	\$50.00	\$52.00

Additional Codes		MEDICAID RATE EFF 2008		100% FEE	
D3960	Internal Bleaching		N/A	\$150.00	\$155.00
D0160	Detailed Evaluation-prob focused		\$59.40	\$64.00	\$66.00
D0273	Bitewing Three Film		\$24.46	\$26.00	\$27.00
D1206	Therapeutic High Risk Flouride		\$15.44	\$16.00	\$17.00
D6985	Pediatric Partial Denture	\$359.17	\$282.90	\$299.00	\$371.00
D5110	Complete Denture-Maxillary	\$612.50	\$461.25	\$490.00	\$632.00
D5120	Complete Denture-Mandibular	\$612.50	\$461.25	\$490.00	\$632.00
D5211	Maxi. Partial Den- Resin Base	\$454.23	\$357.00	\$378.00	\$469.00
D5212	Mand. Partial Den-Resin Base	\$454.23	\$357.00	\$378.00	\$469.00
D6930	Recement Bridge		N/A	\$50.00	\$52.00
D3120	Indirect pulp cap		N/A	\$46.00	\$47.00
D9970	Enamel Microabrasion		N/A	\$60.00 Per tooth	

A motion was made by Commissioner Lashley to approve the proposed dental fees. The motion was seconded by Dr. Courtney and approved unanimously by the board.

VII. Personal Health Committee Report

There was no Personal Health Committee meeting held in July, 2008.

VIII. Personal Health Update

Marilyn Burns presented the following update:

- The board members were given a copy of the Site Visit Report dated August 14, 2008 completed by Brenda Dunn and Lynn Conner, Nursing Consultants with the NCDHHS Public Health Nursing and Professional Development Section. The site visit was requested by Joy Reed, Head of the NCDHHS Public Health Nursing Section, due to the recent media attention to county services being provided to non-documented individuals in Alamance County and the resolution by county commissioners directing the Board of Health and the Board of Social Services to limit services to said individuals. Policies and procedures were reviewed and the consultants concluded that there were no deficiencies and the services have continued on a “business as usual” basis with no evidence of limitation of services or non compliance with state, federal or programmatic regulations.

- Dr. Cheren increased her work hours from 20 hours per week to 34 hours per week in order to be available to the agency on a 24/7 basis and to keep clinical services on going. The maternity clinic as been maintained; however, child health kindergarten physicals will need to be referred to other medical providers for clients with payment sources. The STD and Women's Health clinics have been downsized. The waiting period in Women's Health is 4-6 weeks compared to 2-3 days prior to downsizing. When the clinic is fully staffed, plans are to see more patients. Dr. Cheren has agreed to sign standing orders and procedures.
- A copy of the Service Eligibility Policy with the Personal Data Sheet attached was handed out. Mr. Keith Whited asked board members to review this document and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

IX. Environmental Health Committee Report

There was no Environmental Health Committee Meeting held in July, 2008.

XI. Environmental Health Update

Mr. Carl Carroll gave the following update:

- The implementation of the new well regulations and Centralized Permitting effective July 1, 2008 is going well.
- Turn around time is 2-3 weeks for soil evaluations.
- New food establishments continue to increase. There are presently 20 new food establishments under consideration.
- A rising senior intern with East Carolina University worked a six-week internship in Environmental Health. This student may be a potential future employee.
- The Environmental Health Specialist, Mr. John Worthington, employed 20 hours per week through the EPA Grant has been working on Indoor Air Quality. He has trained over 100 people, worked with health department staff and developed a plan to improve air quality in the schools which should improve school attendance for both students and teachers. He has developed a template for 35 teachers and coaches that stick on clip boards for coaches to reference if an asthma episode should occur.
- Alamance County had its third rabies case for the year reported today involving a fox. Rabies Clinics will be held in the near future.
- Dr. Courtney is working with a county task force addressing the increase in unwanted pets in Alamance County. Low costs spay and neuter clinics are being discussed. Dr. Courtney reported that the Animal Shelter euthanized approximately 6,500 animals

each year and this number is expected to increase to 8,000 in 2015. The task force is considering purchasing a mobile unit costing approximately \$180,000 to spay and neuter animals. This would be a one-time shared expense among all municipalities. Dr. Courtney did state that this could become an issue with loss of business among some of the veterinarians in the county. Dennis Harrington stated that in some counties the veterinarians rotate in order to staff these type clinics.

X. Medical Director's Report

Dr. Isa Cheren gave the following report:

- Some clinics have been downsized in order to keep the maternity clinic going. Women's Health has eliminated procedures such as IUD's in order to keep patients on their contraceptives. The staff will need to work down the back log in Women's Health once the clinic is fully staffed.
- Child Health is able to keep up but is providing minimal services. Presently the agency is referring out the paying kindergarten physicals. A temporary, part-time Physician Assistant was hired in July to provide assistance. This person was able to work only for a few weeks.
- The agency has been approved as a LME. The Licensed Clinical Social Worker's caseload had dropped by 30% --lost about 50 clinical hours due to being short staffed. Dr. Petersen, part-time physician, resigned in June and her position has been frozen.
- Mr. Keith Whited thanked Dr. Cheren for assuming the medical director's responsibilities during Dr. Shapley-Quinn's absence.

XI. Health Director's Report

- Mr. Bass introduced Dennis Harrington, State Deputy Health Director with the N. C. Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health. Mr. Harrington stated that it was a pleasure to be in a local health department and he commended the board members and county commissioners for addressing the tough issue regarding serving non-documented individuals. He acknowledged that providing public services is never easy when attempting to balance the needs of all people. He encouraged the board members to think about the different populations stating that the health department's patient is the community. Mr. Harrington continued stating that the Alamance County Board of Health is duty bound under law to protect the public's health and the responsibility does not stop at the county line. He further stated that the Alamance County Health Department has been a model

health department over the years and should be proud of its accomplishments.

- Mr. Bass commended the staff for increasing the number of clients seen by 12% while being short staffed. He stated that the agency has a dedicated staff of public health servants. Mr. Bass stated that he is visiting the different sections within the health department to get to know the staff. He reiterated to the staff that he has an open door policy but definitely feels staff should follow the chain of command when there is a problem or concern.
- Two new board of health members have been appointed, Ms. Lynda Parham Puckett as the public health nurse representative and Mr. Michael Steven Venable as the engineer representative. Orientation for these new members will be scheduled in the near future.
- The Caswell County Health Department has scheduled Board of Health training sessions on September 23, 2008 at 7 p.m. and October 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. They have extended an invitation to adjacent counties if any board member would like to attend. Please let Mr. Bass know if you are interested in attending.
- The County Manager has approved two travel requests for Mr. Bass to attend upcoming meetings: (1) The NCPHA Meeting in New Bern. Mr. Bass presently serves as Vice-Chair for the association and (2) The American Public Health meeting in San Diego. The expenses for this meeting will be paid by the State Incubator Project (no county funds involved).
- The N. C. Tele Health Network (Incubator Project) with the Cabarrus Alliance would allow public health low cost internet connectivity with 99 of the 100 counties signing up. This is a \$6.5 M project with \$150,000 match from counties to get them on board.
- Mr. Bass stated that the board members were given a copy of the District Attorney's report in their handouts indicating no criminal charges for any staff following their investigation. Mr. Bass also reported that the State Public Health Section has given the agency a clean bill of health. Mr. Bass reiterated that the staff is very dedicated, competent and well qualified and wounds need to be healed so the agency can continue to serve the community.
- Commissioner Lashley stated that something is wrong because Alamance County's Medicaid payments are much larger than Orange and Guilford counties. Mr. Harrington commented that the private sector in these counties want to serve the Medicaid clients in their offices/clinics and that may not be the case in Alamance County. Mr. Lashley stated that the SBI confiscated computers and found emails that indicate that some staff members were using county funds to serve the illegal immigrants. Mr. Wilson asked who has the information. Mr. Whited commented the highest legal authority has ruled that no criminal activity has taken place and the agency has not fallen short. Dr. Courtney stated that enough people's reputations have been damaged and Dr. Shapley-Quinn has gone through enough. Mr. Gooch stated that he needed more facts. Mr.

Wilson asked when the employees would be brought back to work. Discussion took place stating this was a personnel issue and the board would need to be go into executive session to discuss this issue. Mr. Wilson made the motion to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue and Dr. Courtney seconded the motion. Mr. Whited stated that General Statute 143 allows the board to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue and the Board of Health only has the authority to discuss personnel issues regarding the health director. The health director has the authority to hire and fire employees and not the Board of Health. Mr. Bass stated that he has a target date for himself of September 8, 2008 to review the information and make a decision regarding the employment status of Dr. Shapley-Quinn and Ms. Saxer. Mr. Whited commended the staff stating that he was proud of the staff. He further stated that this issue has been courage under fire but people are getting weary and things need to get back on track with visit numbers increasing and being down in providers. Mr. Lashley stated that meeting laws are complicated.

XII. Adjournment

Mr. Gooch made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Lashley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Professional Board Room.

ALAMANCE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Mr. Keith Whited, Chairman

Barry Bass, Secretary