

# Hanover Community Nursing Advisory Committee

## Meeting minutes for March 7, 2022

In attendance: Kathy Barth, Bill Boyle, Marilyn Denk, Jen Gantrish, Pat Glowa, Bridget Mudge, Dave Stewart, and Doris Yates

### Location: via Zoom

- 1. Check-in with all members:**
- 2. Approval of December 13, 2021 meeting minutes with one correction.**
  - a. Minutes approved with one correction.
  - b. Jen will see that the minutes (with confidential success/challenging stories deleted) are posted on the Town of Hanover's website.
- 3. Follow-up on Summer Park issues:**
  - a. Doris reported that residents are experiencing on-going maintenance issues that residents feel are not being addressed quickly enough.
  - b. Brainstorming discussion on how to collaborate with Twin Pines leadership.
- 4. Town Nurse Report: What went well; difficult situations**
  - a. Doris reported that in general the number of new referrals from Care Management at DHMC and the VNA are down. There is still plenty of work to do with the patients she consistently helps. Doris feels that this allows her to provide quality time and care for her patients.
  - b. Discussion about whether when patients from Hanover are discharged from DHMC and offered a community nurse referral, they are declining the referral.
  - c. Discussion of possible COVID-related issues that are isolating residents who might benefit from Community Nurse services.
  - d. Bridget offered to talk to Margaret Georgia, DHMC, about the lack of referrals.

- e. Doris reports that she is now one of the more experienced Community Nurses in the Upper Valley and is being asked by other new community nurses to answer questions and job shadow.
- f. Doris took vacation time at the beginning of February and found the time away very rejuvenating.

**5. Monthly data (attached)**

- a. Shared the reports, “Hanover December 2021 Monthly Report” and “Hanover February 2022 Monthly Report” which are data reports reflecting active clients and encounters for the month based on community nurse entries in the UNCNP RedCap Electronic Data System. Doris also shared her own personal narrative “Hanover Community Nurse Update – March 2022”.

**6. Upper Valley Community Nurse Project has been renamed “CNC” short for Community Nurse Connection.**

- a. Goal of the CNC is to advance the cause of Community Nursing by encouraging communities to hire CNs and to support CNs in their communities.
- b. Doris reported that Janet Hunt is no longer a consultant with CNC. The new Executive Director is Kristin Barnum.
- c. Bridget also shared with the committee the document “Upper Valley Community Health Assessment” which was created by the Public Health Council of the Upper Valley to address issues in mental health, housing, and food insecurity.

**7. Other Topics: When do we start meeting in person again at the Howe Library.**

- a. Committee members would like to start meeting again in person with the option to Zoom.
- b. Jen will reserve a meeting room at the Howe Library for our next meeting on Monday, June 6, 2022, at 3:30PM.

**Next Meetings: All starting at 3:30PM via Zoom or at Howe Library**

**Monday, June 6, 2022**

**Monday, September 12, 2022**

**Monday, December 12, 2022**