

IHS/Tribal Affiliate Meeting Minutes

12/20/12

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Attendees: Brittany Simplicio, Linda Barnes, Rosemary Bolsa, Shelley Thorkelson, Amanda St. Aubin, Deborah Crabbe

1. Previous Meeting Minutes approved.
2. Affiliate Sign-up issues have improved. We are getting new members to the affiliate as ACNM membership renewals are being submitted
3. Please be sure to sign up for the Midwives listserv through the IHS website to make sure you get all the news updates.

-To sign up, go to www.ihs.gov and click on "LISTSERV e-mail groups" on the lower right corner. Click on "subscribe" and find the "Mid Wives" listserv on the list. It is administered by Carolyn Aoyama. If you have any questions, contact Amanda or Deborah.

4. President's Reports:

-Next meeting will be in the Spring at the ACNM Annual Meeting.

-After this meeting, Deborah will step down as President of the Affiliate and Amanda will into that role. Linda will continue on as Treasurer

-We will need nominations for Vice President (who will take over as President after Amanda) and Secretary. We will be able to vote on nominees on the Affiliate website in the "members only" section

-If you are interested in any of the open positions, please e-mail Deborah a picture and short bio.

5. Treasure's Report:

-Current Balance of \$150

-As we get more members, we will be looking for ideas on how to spend our money. If you have any ideas, please let Linda, Amanda, or Deborah know

6. Updated Activities:

-The evidence-based "Pearls of Midwifery" From the ACNM have been loaded onto our Affiliate's "Members Only" section of the website. Great reference to check out when you get the chance.

-We still need updated Service Unit Profiles to add to our website. Please send this info to Deborah

7. Conferences

-Annual IHS/ACOG Women's Health Conference will be Feb. 22-Feb. 23

-ACNM Annual Meeting will be 5/29-6/2 in Nashville. Registration is now open.

-The Indigenous Women's Health Conference may not be happening in 2013, stay tuned for any updates.

8. IHS/Tribal Representation at ACNM!

-Congratulations Shelley Thorkelson. She was approved to present a poster on her work with Diabetes in Pregnancy in IHS at the annual meeting this spring. Please stop by to see it when you are there and take advantage of this great CNM resource we have in IHS.

-Mary Rose Korduner is working on presenting a project at the 2014 annual meeting on her work with SANE SART

9. Benchmarking

-Linda is submitting benchmarking data for Fort Defiance

-If you are interesting in submitting benchmarking data at your site, the link to this project is on the Affiliate website. You can also find results from previous years there too.

-As more sites start submitting benchmarking data, it would be interesting to see consolidated results from the Navajo area or IHS wide.

10. BFHI updates

-Fort Defiance is preparing for a BFHI site visit in 1-2 months

11. Announcements

-Brittany Simplicio is doing a literature review on barriers to prenatal care in Native American Women. If you have any resource ideas for her, please e-mail her at bsimplicio@salud.unm.edu

-Look forward to a presentation of this Lit Review at our Affiliate meeting this Spring!

12. Call for Agenda Items

-Please Email any agenda items or suggestions for discussion for our next meeting to Deborah

-If you have any announcements or suggestions for the website, please email those to Deborah as well.

Adjourn

Next meeting - ACNM Annual Conference in Nashville, Tn, May 29-June 2