RMC Health Care Committee Meeting March 16, 2017, 2pm -3 pm Conference Call Minutes

Participants: Co-Chair Rodney Glotfelty, Co-Chair Lara Wilson, Charlotte Davis, Meredith Donaho

The meeting convened at approximately 2:02 pm. Charlotte Davis called the meeting to order and welcomed participants.

I Committee Membership

Committee membership will consist of the two Co-Chairs, Rodney Glotfelty and Lara Wilson, in addition to RMC staff, for the time being. The focus of the Committee will be on conducting the Rural Health Plan for the State of Maryland.

It was discussed that there are many changes currently taking place at the federal level that will impact rural health, once these changes are enacted a better idea of creating a focus for the Health Care Committee will be discussed, and decisions can be made to invite more participants to the meetings.

II Rural Health Plan for the State of Maryland

Deliverables for the Rural Health Plan will be due June 30, 2017, a final draft of the plan will continue to be worked on after this date. Two important questions were asked in regards to the RMC and the Rural Health Plan: what is the RMC's role in the plan, and how does the plan become a part of the advocacy agenda? These questions will be further discussed in future meetings.

It was also discussed that the Rural Health Plan can be a potential breakout session for the 2017 Rural Summit.

III Strategies

A potential roundtable event was discussed, the Health Care Committee has \$8,000.00 budgeted for activities for FY2017. Some of the funds have been used for mailings and printing of the RMC Executive Health Summary. Charlotte Davis will follow-up with the current amount of funding available.

A small conference, roundtable or forum was discussed as an option for expending the funds. The forum could include presentations from MAERDAF/RMPIF grantees on the health care projects they accomplished with funding.

It was also discussed that the Health Care Committee could become more proactive in recruiting or proposing specific projects for funding for RMPIF. Revising the grant guidelines for RMPIF will be further discussed at the RMC Executive Committee Meeting on Tuesday, March 21, 2017.

IV Meetings

It was agreed that quarterly meeting dates would be sufficient for reporting the Rural Health Plan updates and progress.

VII Adjourn

There being no further business to be brought to the Committee's attention, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:40 pm. Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 21, 2017, 2pm-3pm, Conference Call

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