### Stanislaus County Asthma Coalition General Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> 2010

#### PRESENT:

Wallace Carroll, MD, SGMF, Chair
Arlaine Gutierrez, MD, SGMF, Co-Chair
Ana Astorga, HSA-Tobacco Education
Patti Cassinerio-Office of Education
Kenya Clement-Anthem Blue Cross
Patti Estrada,-CareMore
Michelle Garcia-Fresno-Madera Medical Society
Andria Hernandez-AstraZeneca
Rocio Huerta-Camara-Sutter Gould Medical Foundation
Sharon Hutchins-Health Services Agency

Kelly Hughes-Sutter Gould Medical Foundation
Nilda Johnson, Health Services Agency
Robin Morrow, Health Plan of San Joaquin
Kristie Martin-TEVA Specialty Pharmaceuticals
William Mitchell-San Joaquin Public Health Services
Anthony Presto-San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
Teresa Quezada-Golden Valley Health Centers
Kimberly Severson-Merck
Matthew Smart-GlaxoSmithKline
Dolores Cisneros-CHDP Program, SCAC

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME/ACTION
I. Welcome & Introductions- II. Asthma Flag Program School Nurse Update- III. Coalition Successes & Accomplishments-	DISCUSSION  Dr. Wallace Carroll, Chair welcomed everyone. Self-introductions were made.  Patti Cassinerio, School Nurse Chair for Office of Education provided an overview of a survey conducted to school nurses and the results about the effectiveness of the Asthma-Friendly Flag Program. Copies provided to members.  We presented the Coalition Successes & Accomplishments for 2009-10:  * Membership increased to 90 members that represent 40 agencies/organizations  * Asthma-Friendly Flag Program-195 schools (3 new school districts in 2010)  * Air Quality Index posters for 7,000 classrooms in Stanislaus County  * San Joaquin Valley Air District-\$8,000 grant to SCAC-replaced worn air quality flags  * Developed and adopted Coalition Bylaws  * New Member of RAMP-(Regional Asthma Mgmt. Prevention)-Project of PH Institute  * Modesto City Schools implemented EPA's Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools Program	Special thanks to: TEVA Specialty for providing lunch! Thank you Patti!
	* Developed partnership with Fresno-Madera Medical Society  * Stanislaus Medical Society website-features the Asthma Action Plan for MDs  * February-MJC's Childcare Providers-400 attendees-asthma education & air quality survey  * April-Asthma Fair at Memorial Medical Center-400 attendees  * May is "Asthma & Allergy Awareness Month"-Slide-PSA at Brenden and Galaxy theatres  * Proclamations-City Councils and County Board of Supervisors  * 3 Asthma 101s -100 attendees-MAs, Nurses, RT students, Family Resource Centers  * Sutter Gould, Golden Valley Health Clinics, HSA-asthma education  * SCAC asthma awareness activities featured on EPA's website for "World Asthma Day"  * "What You Need to Know About Asthma-Update" training to School Nurses Association	

#### IV. Coalition Member Acknowledgement-

- \* ELCAAP-Public Health grant-to help reduce the burden of asthma
- \* Assisted in the design, analysis & dissemination of 3 asthma and air quality surveys
- \* Assisted with the first county-wide Asthma Report Card
- \* Assisted with the media campaign to increase awareness of the need to:
- "Take Your Asthma Control Medication Daily, Even If You Feel Good & Stay In the Game..."
- \* <u>July-Fourth Asthma Conference</u>-98 attendees-health care professionals, collaboratives

All members present were awarded a Certificate of Appreciation by Dr. Carroll and Dr. Gutierrez. This year, we included our School Nurses and their Superintendents.

Special thanks to the following sponsors for funding the many successful activities to educate and raise asthma awareness in our community:

<u>Health Plans</u>-Anthem Blue Cross, Health Net, Health Plan of San Joaquin, and CareMore <u>Pharmaceutical Representatives</u>-AstraZeneca, GlaxoSmithKline, Merck, TEVA Specialty

San Joaquin Valley Air District, Sutter Gould Medical Group, Sutter Gould Medical Foundation, Memorial Medical Center, Health Services Agency, Stanislaus Health Foundation, Fresno-Madera Medical Society, RAMP.

Anthony Presto, Valley Air District informed members that "Check Before You Burn" will make its seasonal debut November 1<sup>st</sup>, which curtails residential wood-burning when air quality deteriorates, runs through February 2011.

Clean Green Yard Machines Program-Beginning November 8<sup>th</sup>, San Joaquin residents can trade in a gas-powered mower in exchange of a Neuton cordless, electric mower for a little as \$25. The public is welcome to the call the Air District and request a voucher for the program.

# Next General Meeting is:

## Wednesday, January 19th 2011 at 12:30 p.m.

Our Mission: "To create an asthma-friendly community by promoting awareness, education, management, and prevention:"

www.stanasthma.org

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Special thanks to: Our Chairs, Dr. Carroll and Dr. Gutierrez for their leadership!

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