**Capital Area Health Alliance**

**Capital Area Physician Experience (CAPE)**

February 23, 2017

Forest Community Health Center, Lansing

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Participants**

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**Discussion**

1. **Call to Order and Introductions**. Mary Anne Ford chaired the meeting and welcomed attendees.
2. **Approval of Minutes**. The minutes from the meeting of January 26, 2016, were unanimously approved.
3. **Planning for 2017**-**2018.** The Committee reviewed a list of potential CAPE activities, refined to include feedback from the committee at the January meeting. A final list of activities is attached to these minutes.
	1. Promote residencies in the Lansing Area
		1. The Committee will periodically review the list of residency programs and resources to assure that we have up to date resources.
		2. Regarding the strategy of providing networking opportunities for students to interact with area physicians at existing venues and groups within the medical schools, suggestions were made to connect with leaders of existing interest groups in both CHM and COM.
	2. Data gathering: Suggestions were that we gather data from both the medical schools and the GME programs, to get information on where students and residents are landing on completion of their studies. Sheri Clarke offered to explore the possibility of accessing data from a database that area GME programs are using for such reports.
	3. Supporting residents, physicians and their families. Committee members offered several thoughts on the focus groups:
		1. We should identify a few discussion topics and ask very open ended questions.
		2. Dinner would probably be the best time for both physicians and residents, and would probably be appreciated by them and their spouses.
		3. These need to be small events, so we will want to work with the recruiters and residency program directors to identify a group of potential invitees.
		4. We should do two groups: one of residents and the other of newly practicing physicians.
	4. Information on benefits of Lansing area for potential recruits: The committee revisited this idea , and discussed the need for a targeted piece that recruiters could share, focusing on the questions asked by physicians considering the area. The Committee agreed that we should include this on our list of activities and that we could work on this in the Committee.
	5. Loan repayment: We need more information to consider the idea of loan repayment. Rachel Ruddock said she would be on a subcommittee to explore the Kansas program in more detail. We will ask Russ Kolski to participate in that effort as well.
4. **CAHA Annual Meeting.** The annual meeting is on Thursday March 23, 2017 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Eagle Eye Conference Center. The keynote speaker is Marcella Wilson, Transition to Success ™ is a standard of care to treat the condition of poverty, addressing social determinants of health by coordinating across healthcare, human service, government, faith-based and education. Again this year, there will be a committee showcase, to highlight the work of CAHA Committees.
5. **Next CAPE Meeting:** Thursday, April 27 from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. at the Forest Community Health Center.