Commissioner’s Update

Brenda Fitzgerald, MD
Commissioner
First Lady’s Servants Heart Award
Presented to Lisa Dawson, MPH
Governor Nathan Deal Commended
Epidemiology Section
Georgia Asthma Management Education for Childcare Settings
GAME-CS

Francesca Lopez, MSPH, AE-C
Georgia Asthma Control Program Manager
Asthma in Childcare Settings

• In Georgia, an estimated 497,000 (11%)* of children ages 0-17 have asthma, among them children ages 0-4 have the highest rate of emergency room visits due to asthma. * (2006-2010 surveillance data)

• Many of Georgia’s children ages 0-4 spend most of their day in a childcare setting.

• Early child care providers are in a unique position to contribute to the reduction in ER visits in this age group by understanding asthma and asthma management to address asthma-related illness and emergencies.
**Foundations of Asthma Management**

Explore the basics about asthma to include how asthma affects the lungs, what triggers asthma episodes, how to respond to an asthma emergency as well as recognizing symptoms and warning signs. This course also includes an overview of asthma medications.

**Understanding Asthma Medication and Devices**

This session gives an in-depth description of the medications and devices that are used for the treatment of asthma. In this course participants will learn how to properly identify asthma medications and their application. In addition, they will learn to identify asthma devices and have hands-on demonstrations of their proper use.

**Creating an Asthma Friendly Environment**

This session focuses on Policy, System and Environmental changes that give rise to an asthma friendly environment. Participants will learn the effects of both indoor and outdoor air quality on asthma. It provides resources and tools for the centers to begin to adopt new policies and operating procedures that promote asthma wellness in their facility.
Relevance of Asthma in Childcare Settings

- **Avg. Prevalence**
  - Children with Asthma: 13%
  - Children without Asthma: 87%

**Percentage of Children With and Without Written Asthma Action Plans**

- 4% of Children with an asthma action plan
- 96% of Children without an asthma action plan

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GAME-CS Pilot Findings

Positive Outcomes

✓ 80% of childcare staff indicated an increased self efficacy after training

✓ Significant increase between Pre and Post Test scores for Foundations (81% Pre to 92% Post) and Medications courses (74% Pre to 81% Post)

✓ 97% of centers interested in attaining Asthma Friendly Childcare Recognition

Key Findings

喇叭 50% of Center’s experienced an asthma emergency in last 3 months

喇叭 97% of Center staff had no previous training on addressing asthma

喇叭 Asthma prevalence in participating Centers ranged from 5% - 35%
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| Bronze  | - Establish a small asthma leadership team.  
- At least 60% of staff need to have completed The Foundations of Asthma Management Course.  
- Compile list of all asthmatic children and request Asthma Action Plans. |
| Silver  | - Ensure Asthma Leadership team have completed the Understanding Asthma Medications and Devices Course.  
- At least 80% of all staff members have completed The Foundations of Asthma Management Course.  
- Provide additional educational opportunities to parents. |
| Gold    | - Ensure Asthma Leadership team have completed Creating Asthma Friendly Environments  
- Contingency plans must be in place on days when air quality is poor.  
- Center conducts a walk-through triggers assessment and develops an action plan and follow-up activities.  
- Additional steps must be taken to improve indoor air quality. |
| Platinum| - Establish policies and practices that incorporate the criteria in previous levels of recognition.  
- Policies that are included in the Asthma Friendly Childcare Center Signature Form should be monitored annually.  
- A copy of your centers policy and practices document(s) must be turned in with application for recognition. |
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Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementia’s Registry

Russell Crutchfield
Georgia Department of Public Health
Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias

Georgia Legislature 2013

• Created the Georgia Alzheimer’s and Related Dementias (GARD) State Plan Task Force
• Charged with creating a state Alzheimer’s Disease Plan

Georgia Legislature 2014

• Established Alzheimer’s Disease Registry within the Department of Public Health
Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias Taskforce

- Early and accurate diagnosis of dementia
- Use surveillance data to enhance awareness and action in public health programming and state planning
- Recognize Alzheimer’s as a chronic disease, and develop a public awareness and education campaign promoting healthy lifestyles
- Improve care and health outcomes for persons with Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias, and their families
## Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias Taskforce Subcommittees

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<td><strong>Policy</strong></td>
<td>Establish statewide policy for improving dementia prevention and treatment, community services, family support, and public awareness.</td>
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<td>Evaluate access and capacity regionally, issues of proximity and parity in urban vs. rural areas. Develop system providing dependable, high-quality, affordable services statewide.</td>
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<td><strong>Service Delivery</strong></td>
<td>Develop dementia-capable, culturally competent healthcare workforce. Educate and train healthcare workforce in Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders.</td>
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<td>Ensure safety of persons with dementia at risk for abuse, neglect, exploitation. Tools and training for law enforcement, community resources for emergency needs.</td>
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<td><strong>Workforce Development</strong></td>
<td>Raise public awareness about dementia. Encourage diagnosis and treatment to plan ahead for resources, care. Provide information for persons with dementia, families, caregivers, professionals.</td>
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<td>Rep. Tommy Benton</td>
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Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias Registry

Goals for Registry

- Usable data in the preparation and planning for aging population
- Identify epidemiological trends
- Bring awareness at state level to issues that affect healthy aging
- Inform stakeholders for planning and future implementation needs
- Improve urban and rural parity
Georgia Landscape/ADRD Data

Data sources available
- Hospital discharge and Emergency Department
- Vital records death data
- Behavioral Risk Factor Survey (BRFS)

Data sources to acquire
- Medicaid
- Medicare
- State Health Benefit Plan (SHBP)
- University System Health Plan
- Long term care nursing homes (Pilot)
- Minimum Data Set (MDS)
Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias Registry

Georgia Alzheimer and Related Dementias Registry

User Registration

Registration info
Please enter your Email address, this will be used as your username:

Please enter a password: - Must be at least 8 characters long

Diagnosing or Treating Physician Information

National Provider Identification (NPI):
Facility Name:
First Name:
Middle Initial:
Last Name:

Physician’s Preferred Contact Address

Street:
City: Choose One
State: Choose One
Zip Code: Choose One
Telephone:

Register
Keys to Implementation

May 2014

• Stakeholder meeting
• Hosted by DPH and DAS
• 40 internal and external stakeholders

- Georgia Department of Human Services, Division on Aging
- Georgia Department of Community Health (Medicaid, State Health Benefit Plan)
- Georgia Alzheimer’s Association
- Georgia Hospital Association
- Medical Association of Georgia
- State Legislators
- West Virginia/South Carolina Alzheimer’s and Dementias Registry Staff
- University of Georgia College of Public Health
- Carl Vinson Institute (UGA)
- Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health
- Provider Communities
Keys to Implementation

August 2014

• Planning Meeting
• 18 internal partners
• Developed work groups
  ▪ Vision
  ▪ Data
  ▪ Communication
• Pilot with largest nursing home provider in Georgia
• Monthly internal group meetings

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Resources

DPH Alzheimer’s and Related Dementias Website: http://dph.georgia.gov/Alzheimers-Registry


Georgia Division of Aging Services Dementia Resources: http://aging.dhs.georgia.gov/dementia-resources

Alzheimer’s Association, Georgia Chapter: http://www.alz.org/georgia/
Legislative Session Update

David Bayne
Government Relations Director
2016 General Obligation Bond Request

Kate Pfirman, CPA
Chief Financial Officer, DPH
Bond Resolution
Bond Resolution

$3,700,000

- **$3,000,000**
  - Clinical Billing Information Technology system
    - Total bond available $9,300,000 remaining $6.3M to be sold at future sale date.

- **$400,000**
  - Replacement of second chiller at Decatur Lab

- **$300,000**
  - Replacement of walk-in coolers at the Decatur Lab
Budget Update

Kate Pfirman, CPA
Chief Financial Officer, DPH
AFY15 Changes

Adolescent & Adult Health Promotion - $651,897

Replace federal funds. $651,897

The above funds are for our Women’s Health program.
FY2016

Total Budget: $632,796,369

Federal Funds
$396,102,084
63%

State General Funds
$209,159,883
33%

Other Funds
$13,816,542
2%

Tobacco Funds
$13,717,860
2%

Attached agencies not included
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<td>239.3</td>
<td>Provide matching funds for the Georgiacancerinfo.org website.</td>
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<td>Increase funds for personnel and operations for one epidemiologist and additional Hepatitis C testing</td>
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<td><strong>Infant &amp; Child Essential Health Treatment Services</strong> - $3,823,385</td>
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<td>245.3</td>
<td>Increase funds for the Georgia Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center.</td>
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<td>**Utilize other funds to provide therapies for children with congenital disorders pursuant to O.C.G.A. 31-12-9 (Newborn Screening)</td>
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<td>Increase funds for the Rally Foundation for Childhood Cancer Research</td>
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FY2016 Changes by Program

**PH Formula Grants to Counties - $1,521,306**

249.3  Fifth-year phase-in for the general grant-in-aid formula to hold harmless all counties  $1,388,991

249.4  Increase funds for personal services  $132,315

**Statewide Changes (All budget programs) - $6,647,862**

  Merit Based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives  $2,441,096

  Increase funds to reflect and adjustment in the employer share of the Employee's Retirement System  $4,206,766

**Statewide Changes-Administration-$3,419**

  Adjustment to agency premiums  ($92,918)

  Adjustment in Teamworks billings  $96,337

Total State Fund Changes  $8,761,397

Total Other Fund Changes  $3,534,575

**FY 2016 Changes**  $12,296,972
## FY2016 State Funds

### Public Health Programs

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### Attached Agency:

**Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission**

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QUESTIONS?
Closing Comments

Kathryn Cheek, MD, FAAP
Chair
The next Board of Public Health meeting is currently scheduled on Tuesday, June 9, 2015 @ 1:00 PM.

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