

NAVARRO COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NAVARRO COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE, 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010 AT 1:30 P.M., IN THE COUNTY COURTROOM AT THE NAVARRO COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CORSICANA, TEXAS. PRESIDING JUDGE HM DAVENPORT, COMMISSIONERS PRESENT DICK MARTIN, DAVID WARREN, AND JAMES OLSEN

1. 1:33 P.M. MOTION TO CONVENE BY OLSEN SEC BY MARTIN
ALL VOTED AYE MOTION CARRIED
2. NO ACTION TAKEN ON BURN BAN
3. MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER OF CERTAIN NAVARRO COUNTY TAX FUNDS TO SERVE AS THE NON-FEDERAL SHARE OF MEDICAID SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS TO NAVARRO REGIONAL HOSPITAL FOR 1ST QUARTER 2011 UNDER THE UPL (UPPER PAYMENT LIMITS) PROGRAMS BY JUDGE DAVENPORT TO APPROVE THE FIRST PAYMENT OF \$130,000.00 SEC BY WARREN
ALL VOTED AYE MOTION CARRIED **TO WIT PG 997-999**
4. MOTION TO ADJOURN BY MARTIN SEC BY WARREN
ALL VOTED AYE MOTION CARRIED

I, SHERRY DOWD, NAVARRO COUNTY CLERK, ATTEST THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND ACCURATE ACCOUNTING OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT'S AUTHORIZED PROCEEDING FOR FEBRUARY 23RD, 2011.

SIGNED 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY 2011.


SHERRY DOWD, COUNTY CLERK





**Report to Commissioners Court
Start up of Navarro Regional Hospital Indigent Care Program**

- I. Navarro County Health Services Board
 - a. First Meeting – January 31, 2011
 - b. Participants –
 - i. Attended - Dr. Shawkat Shafik, Emily Carroll, HM Davenport, Kit Herrington, Xavier Villarreal, Rose Shorey, Jean Lipscomb, Dr. Kent Rogers.
 - ii. Invited (Did not Attend) – Trena Weidmann
 - iii. Future Participants – Representative from the Foundation, United Way, Representatives for other Health Boards in the Community
 - c. Meeting schedule will be once a quarter with the next meeting being held in April.
 - d. The committee discussed the following improvement items for the indigent care program at Navarro Regional Hospital and for overall improvement in the health of residents in Navarro County:
 - i. Education of Patients and the General Population – The idea is to develop a county wide education for recurring medical problems that are the most treated in the county. This education would serve to reduce the occurrence of preventable diseases. A couple of examples include Diabetes and Childhood Obesity.
 - 1. Follow-up – the Hospital’s Education Department is working on the development of a program that will focus on one or two of these diseases. This will be a collaborative effort with the Health Department and will include any relevant groups in the county.
 - ii. Transportation – One of the issues identified is the difficulty in patients making appointments within the indigent care program. The need for additional transportation arose as the most common reason for missing an appointment.
 - 1. Follow-up – Navarro Regional will identify the availability and capacity of local transportation available to patients. Once identified NRH will find the best way to tie in existing and potential patients with this resource. Alternative methods for qualification will be reviewed.
 - iii. FQHC – A Federally Qualified Health Clinic in Navarro County would continue to serve an unmet need of primary care. A sub-group of the United Way is taking the lead on this effort and this Board has agreed to continue to support that effort.
 - 1. Follow-up – Work with United Way to develop a FQHC.

- iv. Guide for Patients/ Indigent Health Services – The development of a Guide that would identify resources for indigent patients. This guide would provide all of the medical and financial assistance programs known in the county. This could also be used for patients that do not qualify for the program.
 - 1. Follow-up – NRH will work with our Case Management Department to start compiling this guide.
- v. Practitioner at the Health Department – NRH will explore how to place medical practitioner (NP, PA, MD, and DO) at the Health Department.
 - 1. Follow-up – NRH to review the resources available.
- vi. Cost of Medication – NRH will identify resources available in the community such as Family Services and see how we can continue to partner with them to fill the need in the community.
- vii. Inmate Care – NRH will follow-up on how inmates could be covered under the indigent care program.

II. Client and Network Information

- a. The Indigent Care Program includes all of the clients who were enrolled with the County Indigent Program as of December 31, 2010. The information below provides a breakdown of the activity through February 18, 2011:

	# of Applicants	Approved	Pending	Residency	Unapproved Income	Lack of Information	Other
January	81	19	5	2	8	13	34
February	49	7	7	2	4	7	22

- b. Currently there are 105 clients enrolled for services through the Indigent Care Program. The average turnaround time for a determination is 14 days from the date the application was received.
- c. We have 33 physicians who have contracted with the program and 7 pending. The list of providers is being provided for your information.

Provider	Specialty
Joseph F. McNally, Jr., M.D.	Allergy & Immunology
Matthew P. Branch, M.D.	ENT
Larry Stevener, M.D.	Anesthesiologist
Eron D. Crouch, M.D.	Cardiologist
John D. Updegrove, M.D.	Pulmonologist
Dale K. Campbell, M.D.	Family Practice
Kyle L. Hamilton, M.D.	Family Practice
William L. McHenry, M.D.	Family Practice
Ronald W. Merrill, M.D.	Family Practice
Joseph E. Saucedo, D.O.	Family Practice
John L. Sawtelle, M.D.	Family Practice

Grady Shaw, M.D.	Family Practice	
Howard Katz, M.D.	Family Practice	**
Shahzad M. Syed, M.D.	Gastroenterology	
Robert D. Kingman, M.D.	General Surgeon	
Alfonso G. Ballesteros, M.D.	General Surgeon	
Charles Biltz, M.D.	Internal Medicine	
Deepak C. Patel, M.D.	Internal Medicine	
Ronald L. Rodriguez, D.O.	Internal Medicine	
Kent Rogers, M.D., F.A.C.P.	Internal Medicine	
Shawkat Shafik, M.D.	Nephrology	
Bill Cook, M.D.	Ob/GYN	
Tiffany Gebel, M.D.	Ob/GYN	
Kimberly Evans, M.D.	Ob/GYN	
Richard Neal Green, M.D.	Ob/GYN	
Oswald S. Binford, M.D.	Ophthalmology	
Robert D. Cole, M.D.	Ophthalmology	
Jack Judd, M.D.	Orthopedic Surgery	
Michael R. Malone, M.D.	Orthopedic Surgery	
Agboola Faterigun, M.D.	Pediatrician	
Karen A. Jahnke, M.D.	Pediatrician	
Meredith Amber Johnston, M.D.	Pediatrician	
Mussarat Shafiq, M.D.	Pediatrician	
Christian Sanchez, M.D.	Hospitalist	**
Douglas Hibbs, M.D.	Hospitalist	**
Rajan Kohli, M.D.	Hospitalist	**
Joe M. Glicksman, M.D.	Dermatology	*
Optimal IMX	Radiology	**
AmeriPath	Pathology	**
Navarro Emergency Physicians PLLC	Emergency Physicians	**

* Limited to medically necessary procedures

** Contracts Pending

III. Third Party Administrator

- a. Navarro Regional Hospital has an agreement in principle with web-TPA to provide third party administrator services.
- b. Our employees and web-TPA have been developing the program.
- c. NRH and web-TPA are finalizing some minor terms in the contract, and we expect to sign it in the next week.
- d. web-TPA will be able to track data and help prepare reports to the County regarding the utilization of the program. Since the program is brand new, there is not much information at this stage.