



**Tobacco Free Partnership of
 Indian River County**

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Partnership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

2:00pm – 3:00pm

United Way of IRC, 1836 14th Ave, Vero Beach, FL 32960

Attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beth Dingee, Healthy Families Florida • Michelle Bollinger, IRMC • Nancy C Johnson, Plan B Business Solutions • Leslie Spurlock, QuitDoc Foundation
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Topic	Discussion	Action
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Agenda Items		
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1. Welcome	<p>Introductions All were welcomed.</p>
2. Old Business	<p>Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Minutes of February’s meeting were reviewed and approved as written. Michelle was thanked for leading the meeting and taking the minutes. b) Partners will celebrate their accomplishments this year by gathering for a luncheon on Friday, May 27, 2016. The location is yet to be determined. c) Partners who have transitioned into tobacco free worksites or smoke free housing will be honored during the County’s Tobacco Free Proclamation meeting on May 10, 2016. Piper Aircraft, IRMC, Senior Resource Association, Chive, School District, Treasure Coast Community Health, and Steve Rennick Realty have been invited to receive Partnership Awards.
3. New Business	<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The meeting time, day and location will stay the same for the new fiscal year. b) A SFMUH (Smoke free multiunit housing) case was discussed. One local resident troubled by smoke coming into her apartment from a smoker renting below her, requested assistance and was sent literature about second hand smoke. She attempted to resolve the issue by repeatedly speaking to the offender and the condo association. She retained a lawyer who wrote a letter to the apartment owner and the condo association lawyer. The renter below moved out within 2 weeks of the letters being received. The resident did not have to take the case to court, but she was willing to do so. When confronted from the legal position of non-smokers’ rights to live free of a ‘nuisance’, smokers usually lose in litigation.

Updates Comments, Observations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a result of the Community Health Needs Assessment, a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) is being developed. Lung cancer is the #1 cause of death in this County. Michelle Bollinger, with Indian River Medical Center’s Scully-Welsh
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Announcements	Cancer Center reported on a meeting where multi-faceted projects to decrease the number of deaths from lung cancer are being explored by the committee. Both Michelle and Theresa Woodson of the American Cancer Society are on the committee.
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 3:00pm