

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Waukesha County Health & Human Services Public Health Advisory Committee Thursday, August 8, 2019

Present Committee Members: Kerri Ackerman, Mary Baer, Betty Koepsel, Mary Reich

Absent Committee Members: Steven Andrews, Ross Clay, Andrew Dresang, Jessica Kadow

HHS Board Liaisons: Vicki Dallmann-Papke

HHS Staff Liaisons: Bridget Gnad, Mary Jo Hamman, Benjamin Jones, Elizabeth Laatsch, Mary Smith, Sarah Ward

Guests: Heather Heard, Blanca Medina, Colleen Peebles

Quorum = 5

I. Call to Order

Chair Baer called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

II. Review and Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Ackerman moved, second by Reich, to approve the minutes from June 13, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Business

IV. Agency Reports

V. Committee Reports

A. Health & Human Services Board

Dallmann-Papke shared that all HHS budgets have been presented to the Board. All agency budgets balanced and were approved by the Board.

B. Environmental Health Division

Ward reported that inspections for temporary events are keeping the Environmental staff busy.

They are working with the DNR and a licensed establishment that has a failing septic system, which is leaking into a nearby lake. A new holding tank is required, the establishment is required to have more frequent pumping until this is completed. Citations are being issued for any health hazards.

There has been an increase in complaints of blue green algae in neighborhood ponds.

Ward stated the Environment Division budget has no significant changes this year and will be presented to the County Executive on Tuesday. A new well and septic sanitarian will be starting at the end of August and the Division is in the process of filling a vacant administrative position.

C. Aging & Disability Resource Center

Smith informed that the ADRC budget was presented. Challenges faced were the increased cost of providers and provider difficulty in finding staff. The top priority is to not impact the services offered.

HHS has centralized administrative support. Because of the change, one administrative position was moved out of ADRC with a need to redistribute duties and cross train individuals.

There has been a large number of calls about bed bugs in the community. Many calls involve subsidized housing apartment buildings. Staff has an increased concern about entering these locations and providers will not enter. Baer questioned whether citations can be issued for this. Ward stated that a landlord tenant form can be completed, but the problem is bigger than treating the specific unit. Resident follow through also has a great impact on maintaining the unit. Smith shared that bed bugs can go dormant for months and there is a lot to do in order to keep them gone. Currently in the process of scheduling a presentation from Batzner on cautions to use when entering homes.

VI. Public Health Division Reports

A. Manager / Health Officer

Jones shared that the CHIPP Steering Committee met in July. A one page summary on each of the priority area successes is being created.

The goal for completing the first overdose fatality review (OFR) is still on track for the end of August. There are no statues in place to allow right to information sharing regarding overdose deaths, Corporation Counsel and Risk Management are still working through the confidentiality issues. Until resolved, the team will focus on broad changes and the preventive actions in place without identifying the individual for the first case. Jones will share the most recent 2018 overdose death update received from Medical Examiner.

To date, there have been 98 documented saved lives in Waukesha County through the use of Naloxone. The Prescription Drug Overdose (PDO) Grant is entering its fourth year. Jones informed that he has requested a standing medical order from the state for HHS staff to be able to train and distribute Naloxone, which is considered a prescription drug. Bypassing normal pharmacy laws to distribute Naloxone, enhances the ability to get it out to large amounts of people. Distributing requires training and has more legal implications, however; citizens are covered as good Samaritans if they administer the medication.

Jones shared there are a large amount of lung incidents presenting in children, suspected from vaping. The state is leading this investigation. Public Health nursing staff have been asked to go to the homes of the individuals to pick up vaping substances and send to Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene (WSLH) for testing. Many substances can be used in vaping chambers. Prefilled chambers are

questionable to what is actually in them. Initially there were seven kids within four counties reported by Children's Hospital. That number has since increased significantly.

Jones reviewed the Public Health 2018 Annual Report, copies of the report were shared with the committee.

The draft 2020 Public Health budget was shared. Jones informed it was presented to board in July and will be presented to the County Executive next week. There has been personnel changes with six administrative staff being shifted from Public Health to Administrative Services and the elimination of one clerical position. Funding for these positions also moves out of the Public Health budget. To balance the budget, there was also a \$10,000 decrease in the on-call nurse staffing and a decrease in medical and office supplies. Charges for services were adjusted based on expectation. There was a significant decrease in the number of health check visits expected because the program is not utilized much anymore. TB skin testing guidelines / recommendations have changed, decreasing the need and travel is down due to no Yellow Fever vaccine. Yellow Fever vaccine for 2020 is expected. Each year we continue to identify new revenue sources while finding ways to work more efficiently.

Jones shared that interviews are scheduled for the Communicable Disease Supervisor position to replace Liz Laatsch who was recently promoted to Public Health Coordinator.

B. Preparedness

Gnadt informed that the results of the CDC ORR visit determined we achieved the established rating in two out of three areas including descriptive and operational. Progress will continue towards reaching established in the planning category.

Preparedness focus is shifting from anthrax to pandemic flu. Anthrax readiness will be maintained; future planning and exercises will now focus on pandemic flu. Guidance requirements for planning are not yet available, a table top exercise is planned for December.

All eight Divisions within HHS are working on revising and updating their Business Continuity Plans. This should be completed by the end of September.

We are in the interview process of hiring a LTE Preparedness Educator at 14 hours a week.

C. Communicable Disease

Laatsch shared information on two new active TB cases. 87 year old female, foreign born, with symptoms since March who had been misdiagnosed with pneumonia. Initial contact list included 500 individuals and has been narrowed down to high priority. The state is handling the investigation. 42 year old male, foreign born, who was diagnosed in July. Also newly dx with HIV.

One confirmed case of Botulism in July. Four year old female, with sudden onset of weakness and paralysis in limbs. Anti-toxin was administered. Food source has been unfounded. Child had previously been on frequent antibiotics for other

medical issues, likely causing the colonization of bacteria in her intestines. State classified this as a very rare form of Botulism that has not been seen since 1982.

Laatsch shared that the state of Florida has declared a Hepatitis A Public Health emergency. To date there are 2034 confirmed cases, notable in comparison to the 548 total cases in 2014. There is increased risk for Hepatitis A with injectable and non-injectable drug use and the homeless population which has now been classified as a high risk population.

D. Family & Community Health

Heard informed that a Maternal Child Health Grant was received in the amount of \$250 to improve the mother's room in the conference hallway on the first floor of HHS. Currently drafting a policy to promote the room and support breastfeeding mothers.

A Mamava breastfeeding pod was received from Froedtert Health. Approval was received to place the pod in the lower level cafeteria of the Administration Building.

WCBFC hosted the Global Big Latch On at Brookfield Farmer's Market on Saturday, August 3, with 90 registered participants, 27 breastfeeding moms and 28 breastfeeding children. There was an increase in community support this year, along with vendors at the event. A mom event will be planned for February to promote staying connected to breastfeeding moms and Big Latch participants. WCBFC website was launched, www.waukeshacountybreastfeedingcoalition.com

Collaboration continues with ADRC to partner for community presentations and blood pressure screenings.

E. WIC

Hamman shared that the overall WIC funding increased slightly for 2019 with the additional infrastructure grant funding of \$6000 and \$10,000 because of the establishment of a satellite site at Lake Area Free Clinic. A white noise system is being installed in the WIC/PH waiting area to improve confidentiality. Confidentiality in a variety of WIC clinic settings was identified as a concern during a recent State audit by USDA. To further support confidentiality in our WIC clinic we are looking to combine the Intake station with the Lab so confidential information is being shared behind closed doors. A queuing system, requested to improve client flow, is still waiting approval. Client confidentiality standards are a concern with the queuing system due to cloud storage of information.

Two new breastfeeding peers have been hired. Carrie Knight started in June and Dayanna Jacob started in July. Both will attend the WIC Breastfeeding Peer training in Wisconsin Dells next week.

Hamman informed that there continues to be decreasing case numbers. A state grant project initiative has provided gifts for WIC program participants. 5-7 month olds will receive a baby spoon, 9-12 month olds a sippy cup and 2-5 year olds a book.

Hamman shared the WCBFC outreach resource brochure with reputable online and local resources.

VII. Agency Announcements and Updates

VIII. Other

Monday, Sept 9 – Project Homeless Connect event with resources and vaccines.
10am-3pm at Carroll University

Wednesday, October 2 – Family Community Health Fair (formerly Hispanic Health Fair)
4:30pm-7pm at South High School

Tuesday, Oct 15 – Veteran's Resource Fair
Waukesha County Expo Center

IX. Public Comment

X. Adjournment

MOTION: Reich moved, second by Koepsel to adjourn at 9:25 a.m. Motion carried
unanimously.

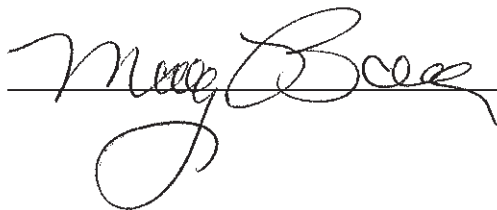
NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, September 12, 2019
8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Meeting location: Health & Human Services Building
514 Riverview Avenue, Waukesha
Room 1001

Minutes respectfully submitted by Trista Neary.

Minutes Were Approved:



Date:

