**Conference of Local Health Officials Committees**

***Annual Report of Activities - 2014***

*Please complete the following form and return to Morgan (**morgan@****oregonclho.org******) by October 9, 2014***

***Please plan on having one of the Co-Chairs of your committee present at the October 16th, 2014 Conference of Local Health Officials meeting to report on your committee activities for the Annual Meeting. This meeting will be held in Salem. Thank you!***

# Committee: CLHO-Communicable Disease

# Chair/Co-Chair: Jackson Baures (Jackson) and Cindy Morgan (Lane)

**What is the purpose of your committee (please include the issues are within your committee’s purview)?**

In relation to the Communicable Disease, Immunization, HIV, Sexually Transmitted Disease and Tuberculosis programs our purpose is to:

Develop short and long term committee priorities and objectives which assure joint system development and/or integration.

Work together effectively and efficiently to plan, implement and align identified priorities and objectives.

Make recommendations to CLHO which inform important policy, planning and/or budgetary decisions.

**What are the objectives of your committee?**

The primary focus of the CLHO Communicable Disease Committee is to support a system built upon strategic directions, common priorities, and broad operational approaches.

Recommendations for changes in program direction, priorities, funding, and/or policy development must be presented to CLHO for review and approval. If approved by CLHO, final recommendations will be submitted to the Public Health Division (PHD) Director by CLHO.

Required activities include review and recommendations regarding the CLHO Communicable Disease program elements, funding formula, statutory changes, rule changes or policy changes.

Funding formula recommendations will be forwarded to the CLHO Funding Formula Committee. Program element recommendations will be sent directly to CLHO.

**What specific issues did your committee work on in 2013 (please be sure to include Program Element and Funding Formula updates in addition to other topics)?**

Provided guidance and input to ACDP regarding updates to the list of reportable diseases and other topics including:

* Algorithm for outbreak decision-making process
* CJD investigative guideline
* CRE investigative guideline
* Measles investigative guideline
* Gonorrhea investigative guideline
* Syphilis investigative guideline
* Chlamydia investigative guideline
* Discussion of posting non-LTCF outbreaks online
* Hepatitis C investigative guideline
* Nontuberculous mycobacterial infection (nonrespiratory) investigative guideline
* STI Workgroup to inform OHA STD Program
* PE 07 HIV Prevention Services
* PE 08 Ryan White Program
* PE 03 Tuberculosis and funding formula (still in progress)

**What were your 2013 accomplishments?**

See above

**Were there any specific challenges your committee encountered this year?**

Understanding and clarification of the process for making investigative guideline changes regarding whether or not they should they go through CLHO.

**What is your planned work agenda for the next year?**

* Provide input regarding STD program changes
* Evaluate potential programmatic changes related to CCO work
* TB funding formula and PE changes

**Are there any members who have retired from your committee and do you need new members?**

No members are needed at this time. Below is a list of retirees during the past year:

* Lindsey Manfrin stepped down as co-chair - replaced by Cindy Morgan
* Karen Vian (Douglas) – not replaced due to changes to Douglas County Public Health
* Irina Grigorov – replaced by Laura Reynolds