Conference of Local Health Officials

December 18th, 2014

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*CLHO: Morgan Cowling; Kathleen Johnson*

*PHD Members: Jan Kaplan, Michael Tynan, Steve Wagner, Ronit Zusman, Marty Baird, Mavel Morel*

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| **MINUTES** | | | |
| **Agenda Item** | **Detail** | **Action Item** | **Responsible Party** |
| **Welcome & Introductions** |  |  | Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown |
| **Minutes Approval** | November minutes approved  ***Tom Machala moved to approve the minutes, Rebecca Austen seconds motion, All voted in favor- motion passed*** | Review & Approve | All |
| **Appointments** | HST- Meghan DeBolt (Umatilla), Karen Gaffney (Lane)  IM- Meghan DeBolt (Umatilla)  Legislative- Meghan DeBolt (Umatilla)  Healthy Structure- Melissa Ney (Umatilla) | Appoint | Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown |
| **OHA Civil Rights Rule** | OHA has adopted new civil rights rule effective January 1st, 2014. Benton and Yamhill were on workgroup to develop rules.  Rule to be included in upcoming biennium contract (2015-2017).  Assessment done by PHD found inconsistencies in non-discrimination policies. Robust RAC with over 16 members, several meetings and public hearings. Section in rule that specifically speaks to OHA contractors. Asks contractors  Contract with 15 or more employees identify contact person to develop grievance process, and policy in place and communicated to public.  Will impact compliance in triennial review. Will move from self-assessment to review of documentation.  Training will be developed for civil rights coordinators. Trainings and materials related to civil rights available on the OEI website. <http://www.oregon.gov/oha/oei/Pages/index.aspx>  OHA held responsible for all pass through funding and therefore held responsible for discrimination complaint. | Update | Jan Kaplan & Mavel |
| **LHD/CCO Tobacco** | Discussed legislative action at September Retreat—one question that came up was where are new partnerships (CCOs and hospitals)?  In Linn, Benton, Lincoln working with CCO and hospital on tobacco issues. Medical Director for CCO will be reaching out to other MD of CCOs to garner support for legislation regarding tobacco prevention. Please let Charlie and Pat know who you are talking about with issue so that can make connections. | Update & Discuss | Charlie Fautin |
| **Vital Records OAR Changes** | Proposed fee increase for vital records fee. State level fee, determined at state and counties charge same fee for birth and death certificates. Last time fee increase occurred was in 2003. Proposal to go into effect in January 1st, 2016. Did not receive a lot of input from public, but received feedback from funeral homes and RAC.  **Discussion:**  Include monetary need in fees instead of taking percentage to build electronic system. By doing so will not have to do more than one hearing, will also look better to local commissions that they’re not back filling state funds. Would make sense to add a few extra dollars onto one fee.  Timing for fee changes: fee would not be set until early September. Fee is mandatory as a part of rule.  To be further discussed:  Timing of fee increase and charge back to PHD. | Update | Morgan Cowling |
| **PH Funding Principles** | Proposal brought to JLT. How do we protect the public’s health while also managing changes in funding? Discussed principles and structure for principles. Shared goals, principles between PHD and LHDs, supportive system and how to move forward with modernization work. Workgroup advisory to JLT (4 PHD and 4 LHD) 3-4hours per month.  Transparency, communication and, work matching funds, create an early warning system for changes in funding. Need thought leaders from both PHD and LHD that understand complexity of financial system. Create safe bilateral group to start discussions. Principles in place need process to support. Mitigate impact and minimize disruption.  **Volunteers for advisory group:**  Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown  Loreen Nichols  Brian Mahoney  Charlie Fautin | Discuss | Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown  Priscilla Lewis  Morgan Cowling |
| **CCO Summit Debrief** | Clatsop- great to have folks from area to discuss. Difficult to get into Q&A about what was going on.  Crook- not enough data, as presenting to CCOs to be sure it is very data driven.  Polk- great conversation, also shared sentiment of more data. Face to face time with CEO to help with collaborations that did not have in past.  Medical Director of CCO new experience with upstream approaches.  Need more simplistic way of explaining ourselves (PH).  Have continued meetings to foster relationships. PH being at table is very important. | Discuss | All |
| **Updates** | **General**- OR EPI is coming up and PHD is looking for topics. PHD is wondering if Administrators/Directors that are not signed up for HAN and receiving alerts. Cost of transport and decontamination for rural communities for suspected Ebola.  **VISTA**- looking for host sites. PHD look for funding to help host sites fund oral health VISTAs  **PHAB-** Betty Bode (Chair) is cycled off as chair, to be replaced by Alejandro Queral. Liana Wynat (OMPH) is cycled off and replaced by Jeff Luck (OSU). Forming a small group to establish transition process to build structure of modernization of PH.  **LGAC-** Meeting last Friday in Salem. Part of meeting covered legislative priorities (OHA, DHS). Looked at funding (Formula grants vs. Competitive grants) Commissioner Carlson assigned group to look at funding formats and make sense of it. Comm Carlso asked CLHO ACMHP to think about idea of formula vs. competetive grants for future funding.  **ELC-** Going back to original schedule of every other month meetings. Teri no longer executive meeting member. Full meeting January 29th in Salem. Gov. has appointed “age to grade three” advisory committee. Vroom (phone app) plug in age of child to get developmental activity. Early learning budget increase of 20M to early learning hubs to support tasks. Oregon PreK relief nurseries and early head start, increase for employment related day care, 10 M for home visiting, 15M increases for eist. (Morgan has updates) | Update |  |