March 13th, 2018

To: CLHO Board

Fr: CLHO Legislative Committee

RE: 2019 CLHO Legislative Agenda development & (new) Policy Statements

**Policy Statement development**

Goal: Involve more local health officials in the development of policy statements (data driven and evidenced based) to be approved by the CLHO Legislative Committee and ultimately the CLHO Board.

Proposal (to be approved by CLHO Board): Ask each of the new CLHO Committees to develop a policy statement around a couple of important public health issues. These policy statements will help guide future CLHO positions on bills and guide the legislative committee work to be more data driven and evidenced based. It will also have the secondary advantages of focusing on important policy issues that public health should be considering and addressing.

Here is an initial brainstorm list of issues that the legislative committee thought would be important for each committee to address.

CLHO Access to Clinical Preventative Services:

* Payment of preventative services

CLHO Communicable Disease:

* Access to immunizations
* Influenza policy

CLHO Environmental Health:

* Active transportation
* Hep A vaccine

CLHO Health Promotion and Prevention:

* TRL
* Tobacco/ E-cig Tax
* Marijuana

The goal is that the Committees would take on this work over the next two – three months and then make the recommendation back

**2019 CLHO Legislative Agenda development**

Multi- step process to determine and refine our 2-3 legislative priorities for the 2019 legislative session.

Timeline:

**March** – Information gathering –

* Email out to CLHO and CLHO caucuses asking what the most important urgent or emerging issues that need a “fix” policy/ budget legislative action.
* Ask CLHO Board for issues that should be on the list

**April/ May** – Refine and research –

* CLHO Legislative Committee will determine which issues w

**June** – Approval –

* CLHO Legislative Committee / CLHO Board approve issues
* Material development
* Legislative Tool “Action” Kit created
* Legislative Strategy session Planned

**July** – Prepare –

* Legislative Strategy Session – July 18, 2018
* Messages/ talking points developed
* “Action” Kit unveiled
* Outreach plan developed

**August** - **October** - Outreach

* Legislator outreach
* Community partner outreach
* OHA
* Governor’s office