A year in Review CLHO 2018-2019

Major milestones and accomplishments

This has been quite a year. Kudos to the Coalition of Local Health Officials (CLHO) Board of Directors who have overseen quite a bit of work this year with, and on behalf of, the 33 local public health authorities throughout Oregon.

CLHO organizational accomplishments for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year:

- Held the largest CLHO Retreat in recent history with 28 of 33 members in attendance
- Continue to oversee CLHO retirement program, manage staff and hired first PSU Graduate Fellow
- Enacted CLHO Personnel policy changes to support paid family leave
- Applied for and received County Health Rankings Grant (\$4900) to support community engagement around health equity implementation plans

Communications Support and Development:

- 12 monthly newsletters with success stories highlighting local public health work
- Revamped CLHO Website
- Developed legislative one-pagers to support Legislative Priorities
- Started a PHD/CLHO Communications Workgroup
 - Put together timeline of public health communications events
 - Created Environmental Health one pager

Workforce Development Support:

- Facilitated process of free online graduate level courses for local public health through partnership with PSU-OHSU
- Organized communications workshop for public health professionals in partnership with OHA, PSU-OHSU, OSU, NWIAHB, and NWCPHP
- Organized four workforce development webinars: Leadership Styles, BAR
 HII, Public Health Practice and Academia, and Innovation in Public Health
- Revised the Mentorship Manual to reflect changes to the program to be Leadership Development and updated resources
- Surveyed workforce development needs of local health administrators
- Selected by PHAB because of Oregon's high number of accredited health departments to Sponsor a Workshop for Accredited Health Departments in Oregon with PHAB about reaccreditation
- Co-facilitated the AWG with OHA and evaluated the AWG

Participate in strong coalitions & partnerships with:

- 1. AOC Health and Human Services Steering Committee
- 2. Healthy Kids Learn Better
- 3. Oregon Partners for Tobacco Prevention
- 4. Allies for a Healthier Oregon
- 5. Children's Agenda

Policy Analysis, Research and Review:

- Hired PSU Policy Fellow to research, and write policy papers to support development of CLHO legislative policy priorities
- Oversaw a first-time ever CLHO Policy Platform, which includes nine policy statements on a range of important public health issues
- Created 2019 Advocacy Toolkit
- Held a Webinar workshop to prepare and train local public health authorities for legislative engagement
- Worked with legislative committee to create new process to identify expert local public officials to analyze bills

Legislative policy engagement accomplishments:

- Tracking over 100 bill during the 2019 Legislative Session
- CLHO Legislative Committee made recommendations on position and priority for over 50 bills
- Recruited local health officials to engage in Ways and Means road tour and public testimony in Salem
- Engaged local health officials to provide testimony on tobacco tax, vaccines, social cannabis consumption and other important public health issues
- Successfully killed social cannabis consumption and bad vaccine bills
- Still waiting on the results of the legislative session for funding outcomes